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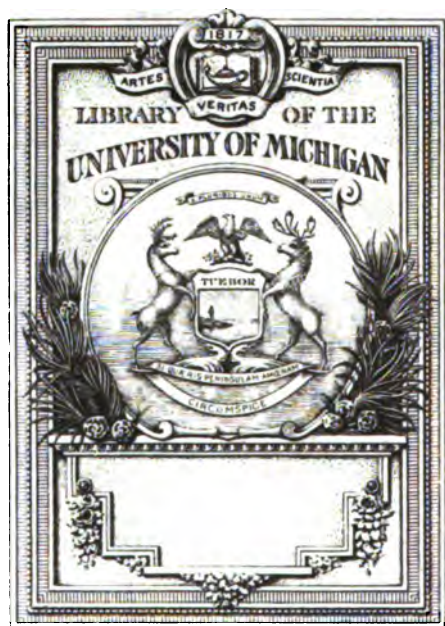
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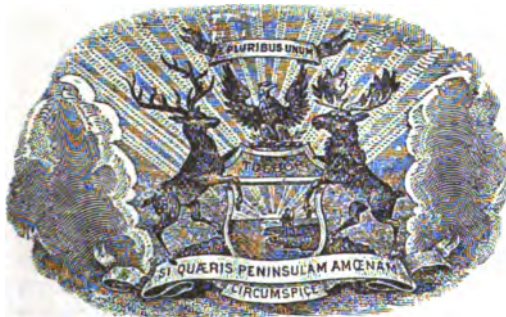
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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Lansing, Wednesday, January 6, 1897.

Pursuant to the requirements of the constitution, the members elect of the House of Representatives of the State of Michigan for the year 1897, assembled in Representative Hall in the Capitol at Lansing, on Wednesday, the sixth day of January, A. D. 1897, and in accordance with law, were called to order by Lewis M. Miller, clerk of the preceding House, at 12 o'clock m.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Thompson.

The certificate of the Secretary of State showing the members returned by the several county clerks, as elected, was then read as follows:

STATE OF MICHIGAN,

DEPARTMENT OF STATE.

Lansing, January 5, 1897.

Hon. Lewis M. Miller, Clerk of the House of Representatives of 1895:

Sir—The accompanying is a list of the members elect of the House of Representatives of the State of Michigan for the years 1897 and 1898, as appears from the returns of the clerks of the several counties of this State, now on file in this office.

Respectfully,

WASHINGTON GARDNER,
Secretary of State.

Allegan County—First District, Lauren F. Otis, Kibbie. Second District, Henry F. Buskirk, Wayland.

Alpena District—Counties of Alpena, Crawford, Montmorency, Otsego and Oscoda, Henry K. Gustin, Alpena.

Antrim District—Counties of Antrim, Charlevoix and Kalkaska, William Harris, Norwood.

Barry County—Myron Wing, Hickory Corners.

Bay County—First District, John Donovan, Bay City. Second District, George L. Lusk, West Bay City. Third District, John Washer, West Bay City.

Berrien County—First District, Saunders L. Van Crump, Benton Harbor. Second District, Edwin S. Williams, Niles.

Branch County—Christopher G. Babcock, East Gilead.

Calhoun County—First District, Henry A. Clute, Marshall. Second District, Ephraim W. Moore, Battle Creek.

Cass County—Millard F. Phillips, Dowagiac.

Cheboygan District—Counties of Cheboygan, Emmet and Presque Isle, Frank Shepherd, Cheboygan.

Chippewa District—Counties of Chippewa, Mackinac and Luce, James Connors, St. Ignace.

Clinton County—Chester E. Jackson, Ovid.

Delta District—Counties of Delta, Schoolcraft and Alger, Oramel B. Fuller, Ford River.

Dickinson District—Counties of Dickinson, Iron and Baraga, George D. Crippen, Stambaugh.

Eaton County—First District, Herbert Babcock, Woodbury. Second District, Luren D. Dickinson, Charlotte.

Genesee County—First District, Samuel C. Goodyear, Swartz Creek. Second District, William R. Bates, Flint.

Gogebic District—Counties of Gogebic, Ontonagon, Keweenaw and Isle Royal, Fremont C. Chamberlain, Ironwood.

Grand Traverse District—Counties of Grand Traverse, Leelanau and Benzie, William H. Foster, Traverse City.

Gratiot County—Dewitt Vought, Alma.

Hillsdale County—James Cousins, Pittsford.

Houghton County—First District, Charles Smith, S. Lake Linden. Second District, George W. Rulison, Hancock.

Huron County—Joshua B. Madill, Ubly.

Ingham County—First District, Samuel W. Mayer, Holt. Second District, Mathias Coad, Williamston.

Ionia County—First District, James Scully, Ionia. Second District, Willis F. Bricker, Belding.

Iosco District—Counties of Iosco, Alcona, Roscommon and Ogemaw, George E. Gillam, Harrisville.

Isabella County—David J. Cahoon, Mt. Pleasant.

Jackson County—First District, Archibald J. Peek, Jackson. Second District, Henry N. Tefft, Spring Arbor.

Kalamazoo County—First District, Charles E. Foote, Kalamazoo. Second District, James Powers, Scotts.

Kent County—First District, Charles W. McGill, Grand Rapids; Jeremiah H. Anderson, Grand Rapids; Edgar J. Adams, Grand Rapids. Second District, John W. Shisler, Caledonia. Third District, Robert D. Graham, Grand Rapids.

Lapeer County—Henry Lee, Lapeer.

Lenawee County—First District, Thomas M. Camburn, Tipton. Second District, William R. Edgar, Blissfield.

Livingston County—Freeman W. Allison, Chubb's Corners.

Macomb County—First District, William A. Rowley, Mt. Clemens. Second District, George B. Davis, Utica.

Manistee County—Charles W. Perry, Pierport.

Marquette County—First District, Samuel M. Billings, Marquette. Second District, William Peters, Ishpeming.

Mason County—Jasper N. Clark, Poulson.

Mecosta County—George W. Reed, Stanwood.

Menominee County—Wm. J. Oberdorffer, Stephenson.

Midland District—Counties of Midland, Gladwin and Arenac, William D. Gordon, Midland.

Monroe County—First District, August J. Weier, Monroe. Second District, August Neidermeier, South Rockwood.

Montcalm County—First District, Arthur L. Bemis, Carson City. Second District, Chester A. Miller, Greenville.

Muskegon County—First District, William D. Kelley, Muskegon. Second District, Charles E. Whitney, Muskegon Heights.

Newaygo County—Harlan J. Dudley, Fremont.

Oakland County—First District, D. Judson Hammond, Pontiac. Second District, Austin N. Kimmis, Jr., Wixom.

Oceana County—John F. Widoe, Hart.

Osceola District—Counties of Lake and Osceola, Alfred M. Fleischhauer, Reed City.

Ottawa County—First District, Isaac Marsilje, Holland. Second District, Robert Alward, Hudsonville.

Saginaw County—First District, Peter Herrig, Saginaw, W. S.; Hiram A. Savage, Saginaw, E. S. Second District, James Kerr, Taymouth. Third District, Benjamin Colvin, St. Charles.

Sanilac County—First District, Elmore Putney, Speaker. Second District, Richard Pearson, Urban.

Shiawassee County—Francis M. Shepard, Owosso.

St. Clair County—First District, Charles M. Green, Port Huron. Second District, Henry M. Zimmerman, Marine City. Third District, Lewis O'Dett, Avoca.

St. Joseph County—Samuel Gibson, Constantine.

Tuscola County—First District, Charles A. Hofmeister, Unionville. Second District, Lyman E. Belknap, Mayville.

Van Buren County—Charles C. Phillips, Bangor.

Washtenaw County—First District, Andrew J. Sawyer, Ann Arbor. Second District, John K. Campbell, Ypsilanti.

Wayne County—First District, John Atkinson, William H. Wetherbee, Jos. H. Dickinson, Henry J. Eikhoff, Miller G. Moore, Albert M. Stewart, Lewis A. Stoneman, William L. January, Walter E. Molster, Charles H. Petrowsky, all of Detroit. Second District, Edward E. Bryan, Wyandotte. Third District, Solon Goodsell, Canton.

Wexford District—Counties of Wexford, Missaukee and Clare, John Caldwell, Manton.

STATE OF MICHIGAN,
Office of the Secretary of State, } ss.

I, Washington Gardner, Secretary of State of the State of Michigan, do hereby certify that I have compared the annexed and foregoing list of all the members elect of the House of Representatives of the State of Michigan, for the years 1897 and 1898, with the original returns, as transmitted to me by the clerks of the various counties of the State, and that it is a true and correct list.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of Michigan, at Lansing, this fifth day of January, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

[SEAL.]

WASHINGTON GARDNER,
Secretary of State.

The members elect appeared at the Clerk's desk and took and subscribed the constitutional oath of office, which was administered by the Hon. Charles D. Long, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, in accordance with the statute; all the members elect so appearing and taking the oath except August Niedermeier, of Monroe County.

During the call of the list of the members elect, when the name of James Kerr, member-elect from the Second District of Saginaw County, was called,

Mr. Herrig, of the First District of Saginaw County, arose in his place and presented the protest of John Baird against the administration of the oath to Mr. Kerr.

The following is the protest:

To the House of Representatives of the State of Michigan:

Your petitioner, John Baird, respectfully shows that he is a citizen of the United States, and a qualified elector in the County of Saginaw and Township of Zilwaukee; that said Township of Zilwaukee is a part of the Second Legislative District of the County of Saginaw; that said Legislative District consists of the Townships of Albee, Birch Run, Blumfield, Bridgeport, Buena Vista, Chesaning, Frankenmuth, Maple Grove, Spaulding, Taymouth and Zilwaukee, in said County; that he is now and for a long time past to wit: For a period of eighteen (18) years upwards, has been a resident of said County and Township.

Your petitioner further shows, that said Second District of Saginaw County was entitled to one Representative in the Legislature, who is elected at the general election held in said Township and State upon the 3d day of November, A. D. 1896.

Your petitioner further shows, that there were two (2) candidates for member of the Legislature from said Second District. That your petitioner was a candidate on the Republican ticket, and James Kerr, of the Township of Taymouth, was a candidate on the People's Union Democratic Silver ticket, and there were no other candidates in said District.

That the election returns from the various Townships in said District show a total vote cast for Representative in said District of 4,049.

That the following is a tabulated statement of the vote cast for each in the respective Townships:

REPRESENTATIVE—SECOND DISTRICT.

	Baird.	Kerr.
Albee	99	82
Birch Run.....	174	210
Blumfield	209	100
Bridgeport	263	191
Buena Vista.....	280	311
Chesaning	320	265
Frankenmuth	140	254
Maple Grove.....	138	233
Spaulding	65	87
Taymouth	152	272
Zilwaukee	149	55
	<hr/> 1989	<hr/> 2060

Your petitioner further shows, that the official returns from all of said towns in said District, showed that your petitioner received 1989 of the votes cast, and opponent, James Kerr, 2060.

Your petitioner further shows, that in accordance with said returns, the County Canvassers of said county certified, that said James Kerr received a majority of 71 votes in said District.

That thereupon said James Kerr was declared duly elected a member of the Legislature from the Second Representative District of Saginaw County.

The said County Canvassers did not recount the vote for members of the Legislature in said district, but certified to the vote as it appeared upon the face of the returns from the various townships in said district.

That your petitioner filed a written request with the Board of County Canvassers of Saginaw County, at their meeting held subsequent to said election, held November 3, 1896, and more than 24 hours before they adjourned, requesting them to recount the vote for Representative in said legislative district, but that they refused to make such recount on the ground that they had no power in the premises, but that a recount of the vote of Representative of the Legislature was entirely within the province of the House of Representatives.

Your petitioner alleges that there was fraud and illegality in the conduct of the election and in the counting of the votes cast for Representative in several of the townships in said district, and that on a proper counting, lawfully cast, your petitioner is entitled to your certificate, that your petitioner was duly elected to said office.

Your petitioner complains that fraud, illegality and error occurred in the said townships in the conduct of said election as follows:

First, That in the township of Birch Run, many persons unknown to your petitioner, who were not members of the Board of Election Inspectors, and who had no authority to act at the polls at said election in said township, remained in the room of said polling place, and entered booths with electors, and influenced them as to the manner of preparing their ballots; that many electors in said township were instructed at said election, how to cast their votes by some of the Inspectors of Election, and their ballots marked by them, and many by the Challengers, without said persons being first duly sworn that they could not read English or that because of physical disability, they could not mark their ballots, nor was such disability made manifest to said Inspectors.

That your petitioner believes and charges on information and belief, that many persons voted at said election in said township, who were not entitled to vote, and who were not electors, and many were allowed to vote who were not registered.

Your petitioner further shows, that said election was illegally conducted in said township in this, that no suitable ballot box with lock and key having an opening through the lid, of size to admit a single closed ballot was provided by the Township Clerk for the reception of the ballots cast at said election.

That a plain box which had been used by grocers for bird seed was used in said township at said election to receive the ballots cast by the

electors at said election, that it was not furnished with any lock or key, and that for that reason the box was not examined as provided by Section 7 Act No. 190 of the laws of 1891, nor the safeguards, therein provided, against fraud complied with, and for the same reason the safeguards against fraud in case of adjournment, could not and were not carried out.

That after the close of polls in said township at said election, and the counting of the ballots contained in said box by the election inspectors, the ballots were not for the reason above stated placed in the ballot box and securely sealed, and the instructions given in reference thereto in Section 37 of said Act No. 190 complied with.

Your petitioner therefore shows, that the said election as conducted in said township of Birch Run was entirely illegal and void, and that the entire vote cast therein at said election should be rejected.

Second, That in the township of Frankenmuth many votes, to wit, 22, were cast for your petitioner which were not counted for him at all.

That while the returns of said township showed that your petitioner received 140 votes in said township, the fact is, that 162 votes were cast for your petitioner and should have been counted for him, and that said Kerr received but 254 votes in said township.

Third, Your petitioner further shows that in the Township of Taymouth, James W. Morse, who was an inspector of election at the said general election, held on the 3d day of November, 1896, in said township, and other persons whose names are not known to your petitioner, entered the election booths with electors, and in the room where said election was being held, and in said booth urged them to vote for the ticket which contained the name of said James Kerr for Representative in the Legislature, and also marked their ballots for them.

Your petitioner further says, that at least 50 persons who voted at said election in said township were so instructed by said Morse, and he marked the ballots of a great many, and on information and belief your petitioner avers that one-third of the persons who cast their ballots in said township at said election were so urged and instructed by said James M. Morse and by others.

That none of said persons so instructed by said Morse, or by any others, were sworn as to their ability to read English, or that, because of physical disability, they were unable to mark their ballots, nor was such disability made manifest to the inspectors of election in said township at said election.

Your petitioner further says, that said James W. Morse, who was working in the interest of said silver ticket, went into the booth with many persons who cast their votes in said township at said election, and assisted them in marking their ballots when no challenger was present.

Your petitioner further says, that many tickets were counted for said James Kerr illegally, and many tickets which were cast for your petitioner were not counted for him in said township at said election.

That a large number of people voted at said election illegally, and that a large number voted in said township at said election who were not registered.

That the following is a list of 22 names of persons who voted at said election in said township who were not registered in said township:

Wm. Arnold.....	No. 63	on poll list
Geo. L. Baker.....	" 47	"
Oscar Baker.....	" 103	"
David Chatchen.....	" 275	"
David Cuthbertson	" 408	"
Valentine Cherry.....	" 409	"
John Eugene.....	" 326	"
Francis Forbear.....	" 177	"
Worden Finch.....	" 370	"
John Fitch.....	" 394	"
Aaron Hoxie.....	" 39	"
Mike Haymaker.....	" 181	"
George Howard.....	" 278	"
Albert Korth	" 261	"
Mike Leightree.....	" 76	"
Richard Lehart.....	" 223	"
Mike Oritski.....	" 171	"
Octave Paredis.....	" 324	"
John Smidt.....	" 197	"
Mike Vocaveach.....	" 317	"
Clarence Woodward.....	" 129	"
George Wenn.....	" 401	"

The following are the names of persons who voted at said election in said township, but who were marked on the registration list as "removed:"

Alex. Jackson.....	No. 359	on poll list
Chas. Kelly.....	" 9	"
Leonard Lang.....	" 194	"
James Robertson.....	" 379	"
Ansil Savage.....	" 73	"
James Tacklebury.....	" 61	"
Wesley Webster.....	" 85	"

Following is a list of persons who voted at said election in said township and who were registered by the board of election inspectors on election day, but none of whom were sworn as to their qualifications as voters or as to their right to vote in said township at said election:

Stephen Gouvon.....	No. 434	on poll list
August Mayhew.....	" 331	"
Samuel Morris.....	" 393	"
Chas. McDonald	" 276	"

Your petitioner refers to the affidavits of Joseph S. Phillips, David Leach, David McNally, of said township, and the complaint of your petitioner hereto annexed and marked respectively Exhibits "A," "B," "C," and "D," in support of the specific charges of fraud and illegality herein charged with reference to the conduct of said election in the township of Taymouth.

Your petitioner further shows, that in counting the ballots at said election after the polls were closed, persons who were not Inspectors or Clerks of Election, were allowed to assist and did assist in the counting of all the ballots so cast, and he especially charges that one Frank McNally, who was the challenger for the People's Union Silver Democratic party, assisted in counting said ballots, and your petitioner avers, that because of the fraud, error and illegality in the manner of conducting said election, in said Township of Taymouth, that the vote of said precinct is illegal and should be rejected.

In view of the premises your petitioner most respectfully protests against the administration of the oath of office to James Kerr as the Representative in the State Legislature, from the Second Legislative District of said Saginaw County and against his admission to a seat in the House of Representatives for the reasons assigned.

Your petitioner prays your honorable body that he may be declared elected as a Representative in the House of Representatives in the State of Michigan from the Second Representative District of Saginaw County.

And your petitioner will ever pray.

JOHN BAIRD.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, }
County of Saginaw, } ss.

On the 2d day of January, A. D. 1897, before me personally came the above named John Baird and made oath that he has read the foregoing petition by him subscribed, and knows the contents thereof, and that the same is true of his own knowledge except as to the matters therein stated to be on his information and belief, and as to those matters he believes them to be true.

HARRY KENNEY,

Notary Public, Saginaw County, Mich.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, }
County of Saginaw, } ss.

Joseph S. Phillips, of the Township of Taymouth and County aforesaid, personally appeared before me, Edward S. Pease, a Justice of the Peace, of the city of Saginaw and County aforesaid, who being duly sworn deposes and says, that James W. Morse was one of the Inspectors of Election at the general election held in said Township of Taymouth, on the 3d day of November, A. D. 1896, for the election of State and County officers, and that he, deponent, was challenger for the Republican party at said election so held in said Township.

Deponent further says, that Daniel Wheaton was an elector of said Township, who then and there voted at said election. That when said Daniel Wheaton went to procure his ballot for the purpose of marking the same, a ballot was handed to him by one of the Inspectors of said Election. That said Wheaton repaired to one of the election booths to mark his ballot, that he did not take an oath before entering said booth, or at any time at said election; that he could not read English, or because of any physical disability, that he could not mark his ballot, nor was it made manifest to said Inspectors of Election, that he was laboring under such disability that he was unable to mark his ballot, and deponent further says that he knows that said Daniel Wheaton could read English and could have marked his own ballot at that time, but that said James W.

Morse, without said Wheaton taking said oath aforesaid, accompanied said Wheaton into said election booth, when he went there to mark his ballot and assisted said Wheaton to mark his ballot, and that after the same had been marked and prepared said Wheaton took the same to the Inspectors of Election then and there being held, and his said ballot was deposited into the ballot box.

Deponent further says, that said James W. Morse, while in the election booth with said Wheaton as aforesaid, marked the said ballot of said Wheaton for him, designating for whom said Wheaton voted.

Deponent further says that Charles V. D. Blackmar was an elector in said Township of Taymouth, who then and there voted at said general election, and when said Charles V. D. Blackmar procured his ballot from one of the Inspectors of said Election for the purpose of marking and preparing the same. That said Charles V. D. Blackmar repaired to one of the booths to mark his ballot; that he did not take the oath before going into said booth or at any time at said election, that he could not read English or because of any physical disability he could not mark his ballot, nor was it made manifest to said Inspector Morse or to said Board of Inspectors that said Blackmar was laboring under such physical disability that he could not mark his ballot.

Deponent further says, that he knows said Blackmar could read English language, and was not then and there laboring under any physical disability, which made him unable to mark his ballot, but said James W. Morse then and there accompanied the said Charles V. D. Blackmar into the election booth and assisted him, said Blackmar, mark his ballot, and did then and there mark the said ballot of said Charles V. D. Blackmar, designating for whom he voted, that when the said ballot had been so marked said Blackmar took the same to the said Inspectors of Election and handed it to one of the Inspectors and the same was by him, then and there deposited into the ballot box used for receiving the ballots at said election.

Deponent further says, that at said election so held in said Township as aforesaid, on said 3d day of November, 1896, said James W. Morse, while so acting as said Inspector as aforesaid, accompanied at least fifty (50) other electors of said Township into the election booths when they had respectively procured their ballots for said election from said Inspector of Election for the purpose of marking the same, and that said James W. Morse assisted each of said fifty electors in marking his ballot and marked his ballot for him, and that each of said electors after his ballot had been so prepared and marked, designating the persons for whom he intended to vote, took the ballot so prepared to the said Inspector of Election and the same was deposited in the ballot box used for receiving ballots at said election, and deponent further says, that none of said electors before going into the booths to prepare or mark his ballot as aforesaid, or at any time during said election made oath that he could not read English, or that of because physical disability he could not mark his ballot, nor was it made manifest to said Morse of said Inspectors of Election that such elector was laboring under such disability.

JOSEPH S. PHILLIPS.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 4th day of December, 1896.

EDWARD S. PEASE,

Justice of the Peace.

"EXHIBIT B."

STATE OF MICHIGAN, }
 County of Saginaw, } ss.

David Leach being duly sworn says, that he is a resident in the township of Taymouth in the County of Saginaw and State of Michigan. Was born in said township and have lived there all of his life, excepting three years in the city of Saginaw. He was living in said township of Taymouth November 3, 1896, the same being election day. He was Clerk and one of the Inspectors on the said township of Taymouth election board, on said day. His duty on said board was to write the name and tally each and every elector as he voted.

He did see a man who gave his name as Mike Haymaker. He was present at the polls and presented his ballot to the chairman of the board and gave his name as Mike Haymaker. The chairman called his name to the board, the name was written down, the vote was received and deposited in the box; then said Mike Haymaker walked out. I have not seen him since. He was a total stranger to me. The name of Mike Haymaker does not appear on the township registration book of electors for Taymouth. I am and have been since April, 1895, Township Clerk of said township of Taymouth and said registration book is kept by me, and is now in my possession.

DAVID LEACH.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 14th day of December, 1896.

EDWARD S. PEASE,

Justice of the Peace.

"EXHIBIT C."

STATE OF MICHIGAN, }
 County of Saginaw, } ss.

David McNally of the township of Taymouth, and said County, personally appeared before me, Edward S. Pease, a Justice of the Peace of the city of Saginaw and County aforesaid.

When being duly sworn, says, that he acted as the Deputy Clerk with the township clerk, David Leach, Supervisor Pearly F. Beacker, two Justices of the Peace, David M. Hunter and James W. Morse, who composed the Board of Inspectors of Election, in the township of Taymouth, in said County and State aforesaid, at the general election of State and County officers, held on the 3d day of November, 1896. Further, the Board of Inspectors then and there opening and organizing by a vote, elected James W. Morse, the Inspector, to assist electors when applied to fix their tickets or ballots preparatory to voting.

Deponent further says, that said James W. Morse, the Inspector on said 3d day of November, A. D. 1896, in said township, while acting as said Inspector, entered one of the election booths at said election with one Daniel Wheaton, when said Wheaton entered said booth to prepare his ballot, for the purpose of assisting said Wheaton in marking his ballot, without said Wheaton being first duly sworn as to his competency to mark his own ballot and that said Wheaton then returned

from the election booth to the Inspectors of Election, having charge of the ballot box at said election in said township, and deposited the ballot so prepared by him, with the assistance of said James W. Morse, in the said ballot box.

Deponent further says, that said Daniel Wheaton did not, before being so assisted by said Morse to mark his ballot, make oath that he could not read the English language, or that because of physical disability, that he was unable to mark his own ballot, nor was it manifest then and there to said Inspector Morse or said Board of Inspectors that said Daniel Wheaton was unable by reason of physical disability to mark his ballot.

Deponent further says, that at said election, so held in the township of Taymouth aforesaid, on the said 3d day of November, 1896, said James W. Morse, while so acting as such inspector as aforesaid, accompanied at least fifty (50) other persons, electors of said township, into the election booths, when they had respectively procured their ballots for said election from said Inspectors of Election for the purpose of marking the same and preparing to deposit same into the ballot box, and that each of said electors, after going into the booths with said Morse, for the purpose of marking the ballots, came out of the booths and deposited his ballot in the ballot box in charge of the Inspectors of Election for said election, and he further says, that none of the said electors took the oath, prescribed by the statute, that he could not read English or because of physical disability he could not mark his ballot, nor was it apparent to said Morse or said Inspectors or made manifest to them that said elector was laboring under such disability, either before said Morse went into said booth with said elector to mark his ballot or at any time.

DAVID McNALLY.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this December 4, 1896.

EDWARD S. PEASE,
Justice of the Peace.

“EXHIBIT D.”

STATE OF MICHIGAN, }
County of Saginaw, } ss.

The complaint of John Baird, of the township of Zilwaukee, in said county, taken and made before me, Edward S. Pease, a justice of the peace in and for said county, upon the 13th day of November, A. D. 1896, who being duly sworn says on information and belief that heretofore, to wit, on the 3d day of November, A. D. 1896, in the township of Taymouth, and in the county aforesaid, Mike Haymaker, who claimed to reside in said township, and knowing that his name was not registered on the registration list of electors entitled to vote at the general election then and there being held in said township for the election of State officers for the State of Michigan and electors of President and Vice President of the United States, and a member of congress of the United States, member of the State Senate and State Legislature of the State of Michigan, judge of the tenth judicial circuit of said State, sheriff, treasurer, clerk, register of deeds, judge of probate, circuit court commissioners,

coroners and surveyor of said county of Saginaw, then and there duly holden, well knowing that he was not registered as aforesaid, did wilfully and unlawfully give in his vote for the officers aforesaid, or some of them, being the officers to be then and there chosen, against the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the people of the State of Michigan; and, also, that heretofore, to wit, on the 3d day of November, A. D. 1896, at the township of Taymouth, in the said county aforesaid, said Mike Haymaker, claiming to reside in said township, at the general election for Governor and other State officers of the State of Michigan, electors of President and Vice President of the United States, members of congress of the United States, members of the Senate and State Legislature of the State of Michigan, judge of the tenth judicial circuit of said State, sheriff, treasurer, clerk, register of deeds, judge of probate, circuit court commissioners, coroners, and surveyor, of said county of Saginaw, then and there holden, well knowing himself not to be a qualified voter, did wilfully and unlawfully give in a vote for the officers aforesaid, or some of them, being the officers to be then and there chosen, against the form of the statute in such case made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the people of the State of Michigan.

Wherefore process is prayed that the accused may be apprehended and held to answer this complaint and to be dealt with as law and justice may require.

JOHN BAIRD.

Taken, subscribed and sworn to before me the day and year first above written.

EDWARD S. PEASE,

Justice of the Peace.

The Clerk announced that the protest would be received and would be referred to the committee on Elections, when appointed.

The oath of office having been duly administered to the members elect present, and all having duly subscribed the same,

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain,

The House took a recess until 2:30 o'clock p. m.

AFTER RECESS.

2:30 o'clock p. m.

The House was called to order by the Clerk.

The Clerk announced that the first business in order was the drawing of seats in accordance with the statute.

The procedure being explained, and a lad, Merle Urquhart, being blind-folded for the purpose, the drawing was proceeded with, with the following result:

No.	Name.	Seat.	No.	Name.	Seat.
1	Adams	16	51	January	60
2	Allison	65	52	Kelly	96
3	Alward	31	53	Kerr	90
4	Anderson	63	54	Kimmis	77
5	Atkinson	45	55	Lee	91
6	Babcock, C. G.	11	56	Lusk	36
7	Babcock, H.	69	57	Madill	78
8	Bates	82	58	Marsilje	22
9	Belknap	44	59	Mayer	95
10	Bemis	12	60	McGill	43
11	Billings	71	61	Miller	3
12	Bricker	55	62	Molster	48
13	Bryan	32	63	Moore, E. W.	61
14	Buskirk	42	64	Moore, M. G.	7
15	Cahoon	20	65	Neidermier	35
16	Caldwell	19	66	Oberdorffer	84
17	Camburn	39	67	O'Dett	8
18	Campbell	1	68	Otis	25
19	Chamberlain	81	69	Pearson	50
20	Clark	4	70	Peek	100
21	Clute	18	71	Perry	27
22	Coad	94	72	Peters	13
23	Colvin	89	73	Petrowsky	52
24	Connors	98	74	Phillips, C. C.	75
25	Cousins	92	75	Phillips, M. F.	54
26	Crippen	10	76	Powers	73
27	Davis	85	77	Putney	37
28	Dickinson, J. H.	58	78	Reed	38
29	Dickinson, L. D.	67	79	Rowley	62
30	Donovan	53	80	Rulison	74
31	Dudley	79	81	Savage	21
32	Edgar	40	82	Sawyer	99
33	Eikhoff	47	83	Scully	24
34	Fleischhauer	15	84	Shepard, F. M.	5
35	Foote	87	85	Shepherd, F.	97
36	Foster	80	86	Shisler	34
37	Fuller	93	87	Smith	83
38	Gibson	57	88	Stewart	33
39	Gillam	88	89	Stoneman	28
40	Goodell	2	90	Tefft	41
41	Goodyear	86	91	Van Camp	76
42	Gordon	9	92	Vought	66
43	Graham	14	93	Washer	17
44	Green	51	94	Weier	56
45	Gustin	72	95	Wetherbee	46
46	Hammond	64	96	Whitney	6
47	Harris	59	97	Widoe	29
48	Herrig	49	98	Williams	68
49	Hofmeister	26	99	Wing	23
50	Jackson	30	100	Zimmerman	70

Mr. Neidermeier, of Monroe county, not being present, the Clerk drew a seat for him in accordance with his request that he do so.

Mr. Anderson moved that the House proceed to the election of a Speaker of the House;

Which motion prevailed.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, and the members voted as follows:

FOR WILLIAM D. GORDON.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Fleischhauer	Mr. Pearson
Allison	Foote	Peek
Alward	Foster	Perry
Anderson	Fuller	Peters
Atkinson	Gibson	Petrowsky
Babcock, C. G.	Gillam	Phillips, C. C.
Babcock, H.	Goodell	Phillips, M. F.
Bates	Goodyear	Powers
Belknap	Graham	Putney
Bemis	Green	Reed
Billings	Gustin	Rowley
Bricke	Hammond	Rulison
Bryan	Harris	Savage
Buskirk	Herrig	Sawyer
Cahoon	Hofmeister	Scully
Caldwell	Jackson	Shepard, F. M.
Camburn	January	Shepherd, F.
Campbell	Kelly	Shisler
Chamberlain	Kerr	Smith
Clark	Kimmis	Stewart
Clute	Lee	Stoneman
Coad	Lusk	Tefft
Colvin	Madill	Van Camp
Connors	Marsilje	Vought
Cousins	Mayer	Washer
Crippen	McGill	Weier
Davis	Miller	Wetherbee
Dickinson, J. H.	Molster	Whitney
Dickinson, L. D.	Moore, E. W.	Widoe
Donovan	Moore, M. G.	Williams
Dudley	Oberdorffer	Wing
Edgar	O'Dett	Zimmerman
Eikhoff	Otis	

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FOR JOHN DONOVAN.

Mr. Gordon

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The Clerk announced that William D. Gordon having received a majority of all the votes cast for Speaker, was duly chosen Speaker of the House.

Mr. Lusk moved that a committee of two be appointed by the Clerk to escort the Speaker-elect to the chair;

Which motion prevailed, and

The Clerk named as such committee Messrs. Lusk and Donovan.

The committee performed the duty assigned them and introduced the Speaker, who then addressed the House as follows:

Gentlemen of the House:

I desire to express the heartfelt gratitude which your confidence inspires. You have conferred an honor upon me, and the best return I can make is to give you faithful service, which I will endeavor to do. Such a mark of confidence and esteem proceeding from a body of representative men, I assure you, fills me with a sense of the responsibilities of this place, and a desire to merit your good will. I cannot describe my feelings upon this occasion; this marked proof of your confidence in re-electing me to this honorable position has aroused in my bosom the most grateful emotions; your action demonstrates a cordial approval of my services during the session of 1895 that is very pleasing indeed. To merit the continuance of this good opinion, and to have the friendship of each and every one of you through life is the compensation for which I will earnestly labor, and to your service I dedicate my humble abilities.

You have assembled at the capitol of our beloved State to enter upon important duties. The lines of party should be almost imperceptible during our session. There should be no collision of party spirit. We represent the entire people of this Commonwealth, and should strive unitedly and patriotically for the good of all our constituents, ever remembering that, "He serves his party best who serves the State the best."

At the last session I made no speeches upon the floor of the House, as I deem it very improper for a speaker to attempt to wield the power the whole House has bestowed upon him in favor of or against any bill or for the advancement or hindrance of any person or measure. I feel that the Speaker is the servant of the House, that he obtains all the power that he possesses from the House, and that he should never attempt to be autocratic or arbitrary. I shall always regard all the members as equals of each other, and of the Chair also. I do not intend to take the floor in debate while I occupy this chair, but I deem it proper at this time to make a few suggestions in relation to the conduct of the business of the House, and when I have concluded will leave the rest to your own good judgment.

The people have been for some time suffering from a general depression of business and a stagnation of nearly all industrial enterprises, and it behooves us to economize upon every hand, and to see to it that the money of the people is not expended imprudently or with prodigal hands. Although our compensation is very meagre and inadequate for the services we are expected to render, we have accepted the positions and it devolves upon us to give the people good and faithful service. The idea I wish to convey is that we should waste no time, that we should be in our respective places at least five days in the week and dispatch the business of the House as rapidly as possible. I think it would be wise to abandon the adjournment usually taken for about ten days, for the purpose of taking the "Junketing Trip," so-called. I do not think such expeditions are entirely barren of good results, but I believe much better results would be secured by the House remaining in session and doing business and permitting the committees to visit the public institutions of the State alternately under a rule or resolution to be adopted by the House. It

would seem that if no such adjournment were taken and a plan inaugurated by which only a limited number of the committees, say not more than three, would be absent at the same time, and that all such visits be made during the first fifty days of the session, the work of the House might be advanced more rapidly, and thus save to the tax payers of the State a considerable sum of money. "Time is money," we want ever to bear in mind. A wise man said, "Man cannot make a single second of time, but can waste whole years of it." Let us make the most of every moment and endeavor to have a short business-like session. The session of 1895 was a short one, terminating on the 31st day of May. It would have been shorter if we had not devoted much time to general charter bills, prepared by the Commission, and although those bills did not all become laws, the fact that the bills relating to cities of the fourth class and villages did become laws should tend to decrease the amount of local legislation usually presented to the House.

I will briefly call your attention to another matter which I deem important. Often the bills introduced and referred to committees are crude in form and lacking in substance; in fact many of them are appropriately called "Skeleton Bills." Bills of this character do not enable the committees to do successful and progressive work in the committee room, and the work of the House is retarded thereby. If the members will endeavor to complete their bills before introduction it will give the committees work early in the session, and tend to expedite business, because to do good and creditable legislative work it is important that the committees obtain the bills, which they are expected to act upon, as soon as possible. Good committee work is very important. It has been well said by one of our leading statesmen, and an experienced legislator that, "The committee is the eye, the ear, the hand, and very often the brain of the assembly." It is also desirable that all bills of a local character be introduced early in the session, and so many of them as possible disposed of before the expiration of the time for the introduction of bills, and then the remainder of the session can be devoted to the consideration of bills of general importance. But while I am suggesting rapidity in our work I am not unmindful of the fact that it is wise to be cautious and prudent in all we do. Every measure should be carefully considered, and freedom of debate is beneficial, and has always been regarded as one of the essential requisites of a deliberative body. In almost every state of the Union the cry is raised that the laws passed by legislative bodies are very obscure in expression and inharmonious, and are not fully considered either in relation to the several parts of the bill itself or in reference to the laws then upon the statute books, and that they are often too hurriedly passed, that we legislate too much, attempting to cure all ills by legislation. Many of these complaints are well grounded, and we should strive earnestly to correct them. As there is little or no consultation between members before they meet in session the consequence is that each member prepares his own measures, they go into the legislative hopper and reach the respective committees; there is a lack of general supervision and centralization in our work. When the laws upon certain subjects are amended from time to time, they very frequently become so complicated that it is difficult for the ablest lawyers and the courts to say what the law is. Without entering into an extended discussion of this

matter, I would suggest that a standing committee be formed at the opening of this session, the duties of which will be to propose legislation and prepare bills for the purpose of repealing obsolete and useless laws, and eliminating superfluous statutes and parts of statutes now upon our books, to prepare bills abridging, revising, and simplifying those statutes which have become complex and unnecessarily enlarged, and to also consider such bills as may be referred to it. It seems to me that a committee of this character would have a great and important work to do, and that its labors, if earnestly and faithfully performed, will be of inestimable value to the people of the whole State. This matter was discussed somewhat at the last session, but the idea was not advanced until it was too late to do successful work in the direction proposed. Therefore I thought it wise to call your attention to this question early so that if you decide it is advisable to adopt such a course the committee may be appointed as one of the regular standing committees, and may proceed with its work at once. I hope you will give the suggestions I have advanced careful consideration, and that your final action in relation thereto may be productive of much benefit to the State.

I am conscious of my own deficiencies, and will depend upon your generous spirit, your kindness and forbearance at all times. I hope to be animated with spirit of fairness and justice and will upon every occasion endeavor to carry out your will.

May the golden threads of harmony and wisdom glisten and shine in the warp and woof of the fabrics we weave here day by day, and this session be a pleasant one for us all, and may that Being who is the Supreme Ruler over all give each and every one of us health and vigor to do the work that is before us, and guide and direct us aright.

Mr. Sawyer moved that the House proceed to the election of a Speaker *pro tem* of the House;

Which motion prevailed, and

The roll being called by the Clerk the members voted as follows:

FOR ORAMEL B. FULLER

Mr. Adams	Mr. Foote	Mr. Otis
Alward	Foster	Pearson
Anderson	Gillam	Peek
Atkinson	Goodell	Perry
Babcock, H.	Goodyear	Peters
Bates	Graham	Petrowsky
Belknap	Green	Phillips, C. O.
Bemis	Gustin	Putney
Billings	Hammond	Reed
Bryan	Harris	Rowley
Buskirk	Herrig	Rulison
Caldwell	Hofmeister	Savage
Camburn	Jackson	Sawyer
Campbell	January	Scully
Chamberlain	Kelly	Shepard, F. M.
Clark	Kimmis	Shepherd, F.
Coad	Lee	Shisler
Colvin	Lusk	Smith

Mr. Connors
Cousins
Crippen
Davis
Dickinson, J. H.
Dickinson, L. D.
Dudley
Edgar
Eikhoff
Fleischhauer

Mr. Madill
Marsilje
Mayer
McGill
Miller
Molster
Moore, E. W.
Moore, M. G.
Oberdorffer
O'Dett

Mr. Stewart
Stoneman
Van Camp
Wetherbee
Whitney
Widoe
Williams
Wing
Zimmerman
Speaker

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FOR BENJAMIN COLVIN

Mr. Allison
Babcock, C. G.]
Bricker
Cahoon
Clute

Mr. Donovan
Fuller
Gibson
Kerr
Phillips, M. F.

Mr. Powers
Tefft
Vought
Washer
Weier

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The Speaker announced that Oramel B. Fuller, having received a majority of all the votes cast for the office of Speaker *pro tem*, was duly elected Speaker *pro tem* of the House.

Mr. Shepard moved that the House proceed to the election of a Chief Clerk;

Which motion prevailed.

The roll being called, the members voted as follows:

FOR LEWIS M. MILLER

Mr. Adams
Alward
Anderson
Atkinson
Babcock, C. G.
Babcock, H.
Bates
Belknap
Bemis
Billings
Bricker
Bryan
Buskirk
Cahoon
Caldwell
Camburn
Campbell
Chamberlain
Clark
Clute
Coad
Colvin
Connors

Mr. Foote
Foster
Fuller
Gibson
Gillam
Goodell
Goodyear
Graham
Green
Gustin
Hammond
Harris
Herrig
Hofmeister
January
Kelly
Kerr
Kimmis
Lee
Lusk
Madill
Marsilje
Mayer

Mr. Peek
Perry
Peters
Petrowski
Phillips, C. O.
Phillips, M. F.
Powers
Putney
Reed
Rowley
Rulison
Savage
Sawyer
Scully
Shepard, F. M.
Shepherd, F.
Shisler
Smith
Stewart
Stoneman
Tefft
Van Camp
Vought

Mr. Cousins	Mr. McGill	Mr. Washer
Crippen	Miller	Weier
Davis	Molster	Wetherbee
Dickinson, J. H.	Moore, E. W.	Whitney
Dickinson, L. D.	Moore, M. G.	Widoe
Donovan	Oberdorffer	Williams
Dudley	O'Dett	Wing
Edgar	Otis	Zimmerman
Eikhoff	Pearson	Speaker
Fleischauer		98

The Speaker announced that Lewis M. Miller having received a majority of all the votes cast for Clerk, was duly elected Clerk of the House. The Speaker announced that the next in order was the election of a Sergeant-at-Arms.

The roll being called by the Clerk, the members voted as follows:

FOR RICHARD H. GIBSON

Mr. Adams	Mr. Fleischhauer	Mr. Peek
Allison	Foote	Perry
Alward	Foster	Peters
Anderson	Fuller	Petrowski
Atkinson	Gibson	Phillips, C. C.
Babcock, C. G.	Gillam	Phillips, M. F.
Babcock, H.	Goodell	Powers
Bates	Goodyear	Putney
Belknap	Graham	Reed
Bemis	Green	Rowley
Billings	Hammond	Rulison
Bricker	Harris	Savage
Bryan	Herrig	Sawyer
Buskirk	Hofmeister	Scully
Cahoon	Jackson	Shepard, F. M.
Caldwell	January	Shepherd, F.
Camburn	Kelly	Shisler
Campbell	Kerr	Smith
Chamberlain	Kimmis	Stewart
Clark	Lee	Stoneman
Clute	Lusk	Tefft
Coad	Madill	Van Camp
Colvin	Marsilje	Vought
Connors	Mayer	Washer
Cousins	McGill	Weier
Crippen	Miller	Wetherbee
Davis	Molster	Whitney
Dickinson, J. H.	Moore, E. W.	Widoe
Dickinson, L. D.	Moore, M. G.	Williams
Donovan	Oberdorffer	Wing
Dudley	O'Dett	Zimmerman
Edgar	Otis	Speaker
Eikhoff	Pearson	

The Speaker announced that Richard H. Gibson having received a majority of all the votes cast for the office of Sergeant-at-Arms, was duly elected Sergeant-at-Arms of the House.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced a committee from the Senate, who, being admitted, reported that the Senate had duly completed its organization and was ready for business.

The Speaker announced that the next business in order was the election of an Enrollment Clerk.

The roll being called, the members voted as follows:

FOR FRANCIS W. REDFERN

Mr. Adams	Mr. Foote	Mr. Pearson
Alward	Foster	Peek
Anderson	Fuller	Perry
Atkinson	Gibson	Peters
Babcock, C. G.	Gillam	Petrowski
Bates	Goodell	Phillips, C. C.
Belknap	Goodyear	Phillips, M. F.
Bemis	Graham	Powers
Billings	Green	Putney
Bricker	Gustin	Reed
Bryan	Hammond	Rulison
Buskirk	Harris	Savage
Cahoon	Herrig	Sawyer
Caldwell	Hofmeister	Scully
Camburn	Jackson	Shepard, F. M.
Campbell	January	Shepherd, F.
Chamberlain	Kelly	Shisler
Clark	Kerr	Smith
Clute	Kimmis	Stewart
Coad	Lee	Stoneman
Colvin	Lusk	Tefft
Connors	Madill	Van Camp
Cousins	Marsilje	Vought
Crippen	Mayer	Washer
Davis	McGill	Weier
Dickinson, J. H.	Miller	Wetherbee
Dickinson, L. D.	Molster	Witney
Donovan	Moore, E. W.	Widoe
Dudley	Moore, M. G.	Williams
Edgar	Oberdorffer	Wing
Eikhoff	O'Dett	Zimmerman
Fleischhauer	Otis	Speaker

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The Speaker announced that Francis W. Redfern having received a majority of all the votes cast for Enrollment Clerk, was duly elected to that office.

Mr. Sawyer offered the following:

Resolved, That the Speaker be and is hereby authorized to appoint a Keeper of the Document Room, an Assistant Document Room Keeper, and Messenger, Keeper of the Cloak Room and Assistant, Chief Janitor

and eight Assistants, one Janitor and one Janitress for the galleries, one Committee Room Messenger, one Speaker's Clerk and one Speaker's Messenger, one Messenger for the Sergeant-at-Arms, one Messenger for the Enrollment Clerk, and eleven Messengers for the floor of the House;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Sawyer offered the following:

Resolved, That the Sergeant-at-Arms be and he is hereby authorized and empowered to appoint a first, second and third Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Chamberlain offered the following:

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to inform the Senate that the House is duly organized and ready for business;

Which was adopted.

The Speaker announced as such committee Messrs. Chamberlain, Atkinson and Donovan.

Mr. Kelly offered the following:

Resolved, That the Clerk of the Committee on Engrossment and Enrollment be authorized to appoint his own assistants;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Fuller offered the following:

Resolved, That the rules governing the House of 1895, be and are hereby adopted for the government of the present House;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Zimmerman offered the following:

Resolved, That a clerk be appointed to the representatives of the press by the Speaker, upon the recommendation of the newspaper men who will report the daily sessions of the Legislature;

Which was adopted.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 6, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has perfected its organization by the election of the following officers, viz.:

President *pro tem*—Senator John L. Preston.

Secretary—Charles S. Pierce.

Sergeant-at-Arms—Allan N. Armstrong.

Engrossing and Enrolling Clerk—Mrs. D. M. Bertch.

Assistant Engrossing and Enrolling Clerk—Frank M. Howe.

Very respectfully,

CHARLES S. PIERCE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The message was ordered spread on the Journal.

The Speaker announced the following:

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE,
Lansing, January 6, 1897.

To the House of Representatives:

Gentlemen—On the 15th day of January, 1895, I sent to the Senate, then in session, the following communication:

"I beg leave to say that I expect to be in my office in the Capitol, during every day the Legislature is in session; and I take this opportunity of saying to each and every member of your honorable body, that I shall regard it as a privilege to render you any assistance in my power, in the preparation or correction of bills, or to assist in any other way that I may be able."

I desire at this time to renew the invitation then extended, and to again say that I expect, except when absent on official business, to be at my office in the Capitol every day during the session of the Legislature, and that I will cheerfully aid and assist every member of your honorable body in the discharge of your official business in any way that I may be able.

Respectfully yours,
FRED A MAYNARD,
Attorney General.

The communication was ordered spread on the Journal.

The committee appointed to wait on the Senate and inform that body that the House had completed its organization and was ready for business returned, and reported that they had performed the duty assigned them, and was discharged.

Mr. Fuller offered the following:

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk be and is hereby authorized to appoint the following assistants: A Journal Clerk (first assistant), Reading Clerk (second assistant), Corresponding Clerk (third assistant), Financial Clerk (fourth assistant), who shall severally discharge such duties as may be assigned them by the Chief Clerk;

Which was adopted.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 6, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved (the House concurring), That the two Houses meet in joint convention at 1:30 o'clock p. m. tomorrow for the purpose of receiving any communication the Governor may be pleased to make;

Which has been adopted by the Senate, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,
CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The question being on concurring in the adoption of the resolution, The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Kelly moved that the House proceed to ballot for a Postmaster for the House;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Savage moved that the Clerk of the House cast the vote of the House for Edward A. Stimson, of Saginaw county;

Which motion prevailed,

And the Clerk announced that he had cast 99 votes for Edward A. Stimson.

Whereupon,

The Speaker declared Edward A. Stimson duly chosen as Postmaster of the House.

Mr. Gustin offered the following:

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk and the Journal Clerk be each authorized to appoint a messenger;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Kimmis offered the following:

Resolved, That the Postmaster be empowered to appoint a messenger;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Fuller offered the following:

Resolved, That the daily sessions of this House commence at 10 o'clock a. m. until further ordered;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Lusk offered the following:

Resolved, That the Speaker be authorized to appoint a committee of three to act with a like committee on the part of the Senate to wait upon His Excellency the Governor, and inform him that the two Houses have now completed their organization and are ready for business, and will be pleased to receive any communication from him which he may desire to make;

Which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain,

The House adjourned.

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Lansing, Thursday, January 7, 1897.

The House met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called, quorum present.

Absent without leave, Messrs. Atkinson and H. Babcock.

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain,

Leave of absence was granted to the absentees for the day.

The Speaker announced the following:

To the Honorable the Members of the House of Representatives:

Gentlemen—There will be an informal reception in the Governor's parlors at 7:30 p. m., Thursday, January 7, 1897, to which yourselves and families are cordially invited.

Very respectfully,

H. S. PINGREE,
Governor.

The communication was ordered spread on the Journal.

Mr. Gillam offered the following:

Resolved, That the reading of the Daily Journal be dispensed with for the present session of the legislature and that the Clerk be authorized to make all necessary corrections therein from day to day;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Graham offered the following:

Resolved, That a committee of five be appointed to determine the number of committee clerks required, to group the committees and to assign them rooms when appointed;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Donovan offered the following:

Resolved, That the Speaker be and is hereby authorized to appoint Mrs. Lottie A. Chamberlain as stenographer and typewriter in general for this honorable body;

Which was adopted.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 6, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate, relative to the election of Legislative Postmaster, to inform the House that in the election by the House of E. A. Stimson to that position, the Senate has concurred.

Very respectfully,

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The message was laid on the table.

The speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 6, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved by the Senate (the House concurring), That Henry Spaulding, of Van Buren county, be and is hereby appointed Assistant Legislative Postmaster for the present session;

Which has been adopted by the Senate, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The question being on concurring in the adoption of the resolution,
The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Fuller offered the following:

Resolved, That there be paid to Lewis M. Miller, Clerk of the last preceding House, and to Samuel F. Cook, Journal Clerk of the last preceding House, the sum of \$25 and \$15 respectively for their services in organizing the present House, and that orders be drawn accordingly;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Smith offered the following:

Resolved, That the Clerk be authorized to draw an order for Twenty (\$20) in favor of Sergeant-at-Arms A. G. Butler for services during the opening of this House of 1897;

Which was not adopted.

Mr. Edgar offered the following proposed amendment to Rule 58, of the House:

Rule 58. No person unless introduced by a member shall be admitted within the bar of the House, except the Executive, members of the Senate, the heads of the departments of the State Government, Judges, members of Congress, those who have been members of Congress, of the Constitutional Conventions of the State, of the State Legislature, and such persons as the Speaker shall assign places as reporters, (all persons provided for as above shall be known to the Sergeant-at-Arms, and such persons introduced shall be admitted within the bar only upon the personal request of a member each time such courtesy is granted.

A failure upon the part of the Sergeant-at-Arms, or Assistants, will subject them to a forfeiture of their position, upon a majority vote of the members elect),

Which,

On motion of Mr. Sawyer,

Was referred to the Committee on rules and joint rules, when appointed.

Mr. Foote offered the following:

Resolved, That the Speaker appoint a special committee of five members to investigate the contested election case of Baird vs. Kerr, and that they shall have full power to subpoena witnesses and send for books, ballot boxes and all necessary papers and to employ a stenographer and typewriter to take testimony;

In offering the resolution,

Mr. Foote explained that he did so without any desire to be named as chairman of the committee, and wished to disclaim any claim on the usual parliamentary right in that regard;

The resolution was then adopted.

Mr. Whitney asked and was granted leave of absence until January 18th.

Mr. Kelly moved that a committee of three be appointed to ascertain and report the amount of mileage for which the members, officers and employes of the House are entitled to draw pay;

Which was adopted.

The Speaker announced as such committee Messrs. Kelly, Harris and Scully.

Mr. Weatherbee moved that the House take a recess until 11:30 o'clock.

Mr. M. G. Moore moved to amend the motion by making the hour 1:15 o'clock p. m.;

Which was accepted.

The motion that the House take a recess was then agreed to.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

1:15 o'clock p. m.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called, quorum present.

The Speaker announced the following:

REPRESENTATIVE HALL,
Lansing, January 7, 1897.

I have appointed, under resolution of the House, the following assistants:

Journal clerk—Samuel F. Cook.

Reading clerk—John D. Sumner.

Corresponding clerk—Fred Z. Hamilton.

Clerk's messenger—Louis J. May.

LEWIS M. MILLER,
Clerk.

The Chief Clerk, Sergeant-at-Arms, Enrollment Clerk, Journal Clerk, and Reading Clerk then appeared before the Speaker's desk and took and subscribed the constitutional oath of office and entered on their respective duties.

Mr. Davis moved to reconsider the vote by which the House adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Speaker be and is hereby authorized to appoint Mrs. Lottie A. Chamberlain as Stenographer and Typewriter in general for this honorable body;

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

Mr. Sawyer demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded, and

Pending the calling of the roll,

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain,

The resolution was laid on the table.

Messrs. Caldwell and C. G. Babcock announced that they had exchanged seats, Mr. Caldwell to occupy seat No. 11, and Mr. C. G. Babcock to occupy seat No. 19.

Mr. Zimmerman gave notice that he had exchanged seats with Mr. Neidermeier, Mr. Neidermeier to occupy seat No. 70 and Mr. Zimmerman No. 36.

Mr. Chamberlain announced that himself and Mr. Kerr had exchanged seats, Mr. Kerr to occupy seat No. 81, and Mr. Chamberlain to occupy seat No. 90.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 6, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved (the House concurring), That the legislative postoffice be kept open every week day from 8 o'clock a. m. to 8 o'clock p. m., and on each Sunday from 12 o'clock noon until 1 o'clock p. m., and that the mail be delivered to the Lansing postoffice in time for the outgoing trains on Sunday evenings;

Which has been adopted by the Senate, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The question being on concurring in the adoption of the resolution,
The resolution was adopted.

The speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 6, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved (the House concurring), That the joint rules of the Senate and House of Representatives and the rules in joint convention of the Legislature of 1895 be adopted as the present joint rules, unless otherwise ordered;

Which has been adopted by the Senate, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The question being on concurring in the adoption of the resolution,
The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Sawyer offered the following:

Resolved, That the Speaker be and he is hereby authorized to appoint a committee consisting of ten members to carry out the suggestion of the Speaker, to be called the committee upon revision of and amendment of our present statutes, and that said committee be one of the standing committees of the House of Representatives;

Which was adopted; two-thirds of the members-elect voting therefor.

Mr. Lee offered the following:

Resolved, That an indefinite leave of absence at will be granted to Representative Rowley on account of sickness;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Camburn offered the following:

Resolved, That the Clerk be authorized to draw an order for six dollars to Henry Harris for services in the cloak room pending the appointment of keeper;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Gillam moved that a committee of five be appointed to wait on the Senate and inform that body that the House is in session and ready to receive them in joint convention;

Which motion prevailed.

The Speaker announced as such committee Messrs. Gillam, McGill, Peters, Weatherbee and Weier.

After a short absence the committee returned and reported that they had performed the duty assigned them and were discharged.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced the honorable, the Senate, who were conducted to seats.

PROCEEDINGS IN JOINT CONVENTION.

The joint convention was called to order by the Honorable Thomas A. Dunstan, Lieutenant Governor, President of the Senate and President of the Joint Convention.

The roll of the Senate was called by the Secretary thereof and a quorum of the Senators were present.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk thereof and a quorum of the members were present.

The President announced that the two houses had met in joint convention to receive the message of the outgoing governor, Honorable John T. Rich, and the message of the incoming governor, Honorable Hazen S. Pingree.

Mr. Chamberlain moved that a committee of five, two from the Senate and three from the House, be appointed to invite the attendance of the justices of the supreme court and the State officers at the joint convention;

Which motion prevailed.

The President announced as such committee Senators Covell and Youmans and Representatives Kimmis, Dudley and Gibson.

The committee appointed to invite the attendance of the justices of the supreme court and of the State officers at the joint convention reported that they had performed the duty assigned them and were discharged.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced the honorable, the outgoing and incoming governors, the justices of the supreme court and the State officers in attendance, and they were conducted to seats.

His Excellency, outgoing Governor John T. Rich, then read his message in accordance with the constitutional requirements, as follows:

MESSAGE OF RETIRING GOVERNOR.

Senators and Representatives: In compliance with the mandate of the organic law of our State, that each retiring Governor shall communicate to the then incoming legislature such information in regard to the condition and affairs of the State as he may deem for the best interests thereof, together with such recommendations as to needed legislation as his experience shall have led him to believe wise and prudent for the welfare of society and the betterment of the condition of our people, I have the honor as well as the pleasure to submit the following for your consideration:

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

The financial condition of the State is not all that could be wished. The funds in the State Treasury are practically exhausted and about sixty thousand dollars has been advanced by Wayne county on taxes now being collected. Treasury empty.

This will necessitate the borrowing of a considerable sum of money to pay the expenses of the legislature and other expenses of the State government until the tax levy of 1896 can be collected.

There is, however, some consolation even in this statement. The State is in a better condition financially than at the close of the year for the last three years. December 31, 1893, the State had borrowed money and obtained advances to the amount of \$392,759.54; in 1894, \$251,840.18; in 1895 the borrowed money and advances amounted to \$1,237,511.06, and in 1896 the advances amounted to \$60,568.99. The estimates furnished the legislature of 1895 by the Auditor General contemplated that the amount would be sufficient to pay up arrearages and the current expenses of the State government until the tax levy of 1896 should become available. In anticipation of increased revenues from railroads, which were never realized by the failure of the House to pass the bill, and which would have yielded nothing to the general fund if it had passed, as the railroad tax goes to the school fund, the Senate Finance committee struck out \$160,000, from the estimates. The increased cost of the insane, and other expenses over the estimates, made the deficiency December 31, 1895, considerably more than was expected. The cost of the State government for the year 1896 exceeded the estimates in the cost of the insane, in the allowances by Board of State Auditors, cost of collection of taxes, advances of money to counties to pay expenses of troops on duty, and in other expenses not anticipated. Comparative improvement.

The delinquent tax list also increased \$129,295. The cost of collecting taxes exceeded receipts by \$93,647.93; but these Causes of deficit.

Where the increased expenses are found.

lands will soon be homesteaded, thus ceasing to be an expense to the State, and will soon be bearing a share of the burdens of taxation. On the other hand, much more was collected of delinquent taxes of 1891, and previous years, than was anticipated. There has also been collected from counties \$120,000, which was contingent on a judicial determination. It is impossible to state whether there will be a deficiency on December 31, 1897, but in view of the expenses incident to a session of the legislature, it is not improbable there will be. In making estimates of amounts needed, it must be remembered that the expenses of the State must be paid until June 30, 1898, on the tax levy of 1896.

Levy of '96 must carry the State until the middle of '98.

TAXATION.

Our educational system must be supported.

The State institutions are becoming a greater expense year by year to the people of the State, yet all of them are well worthy of maintenance. The near future will demand additions to some, and in other cases new institutions will be needed. It needs no argument to show that our educational institutions, from the rural and primary departments to the University, should have a fair and reasonable support. Education is the foundation of a free government. There is no escape from the care of our penal institutions, though good business management may make them more nearly self-sustaining as a whole than they have been in the past. There are some of our charitable institutions, which not only appeal to every humane instinct, but their support is in the interest of the State, both present and future. The insane, feeble minded, epileptic juvenile offenders and dependent children of both sexes, must be cared for somewhere, and the question arises, whether by the State, or by the counties and smaller municipalities. From the experience I have gained during the past four years I am of the opinion that the State should care for them. There may be some objections to this, but on the whole, State care has more to recommend it than any other plan yet proposed. Few insane are actually cured, and but few feeble minded become able to take care of themselves outside of an institution. It is a wise public policy which provides for the keeping of these unfortunates and they should be prevented as far as possible from reproducing their kind. As long as only children are taken into institutes for feeble minded, and the feeble minded adults and the insane are permitted to raise families, this class of State wards will increase rather than diminish. It would seem, therefore, from all standpoints, that the State should provide well for the care of the insane and for the custody and detention of the feeble minded. It is also necessary that provision be made for the children from the poor houses in order that they may be brought up to be self-sustaining, which is done at the State Public school at Coldwater with remarkable success. Of the juvenile offenders, the boys are taken care of at the Industrial

Charitable institutions are a necessity to society.

State care of unfortunates the best method.

Benefits of State care and training.

School at Lansing, and although some of them finally lead criminal lives, very many of them are reformed, and all are prevented from leading a life of crime while they remain at the institution, and for a time afterwards. This is true even to a greater extent at the Industrial Home for Girls at Adrian, where the girls are now kept until they are twenty-one years of age, and then there is nothing left to do except to turn them out on society, if they are not before that time sent to their own homes, or admitted to the homes of others. There should be some provision whereby the girls who refuse to yield to the refining influences of the Home could be confined for at least a time. Even though they are not finally reformed, they are prevented while there from leading lives of crime and from polluting society. Leaving out of consideration the moral and humane aspects of the case, there is enough to justify the existence of this institution in a pecuniary sense, not only in protecting society from this class of people, but in preventing the reproduction of their kind to plague society in the future. In making this statement I realize that the farmers and other people who own real estate where there have been but few changes, note that their taxes increase year by year as the many public needs are provided for. This is looked upon as a hardship; and while in the aggregate, the taxes in Michigan have been moderate, it is the desire of everyone to relieve the burden of these taxes, if possible. I am of the opinion that if the State constitution were amended so as to permit specific taxes to be placed in the general fund, an amount sufficient to provide for the wants of the State government, well, could be raised in a manner much more equitable and less burdensome to the people than by the present method. In the first place we now have corporations which represent something like seven hundred million dollars of capital. One mill on a dollar of the capital stock of these corporations would produce \$700,000 in revenue. One-third of the revenue derived from the liquor traffic of the State, which the municipalities could well afford to surrender in view of being exoused from State taxation, would add another million to the revenues. The taxes now collected from insurance, telegraph and telephone companies could be safely transferred from the primary school fund to the general fund, leaving the tax on railroads to be devoted to the support of primary schools. There are franchise fees and fees derived from various other sources which would raise a large amount. Banks, building and loan associations, and mutual benefit and fraternal organizations could very properly contribute a small percentage for their own supervision, and to aid in paying general expenses. We also have a vast number of persons drawing salaries ranging from \$500 to \$5,000 per annum, or earning by personal or professional services like amounts, who do not now contribute anything toward the support of the State. One drawing a salary or earning professionally could much easier afford to pay the same rate of taxation on that salary or professional earning

A larger list of specific taxes suggested.

New sources of revenue suggested.

Franchise fees.

Building, mutual benefit and fraternal organizations should pay for supervision.

Salaries or earnings should be taxed.

than could the owner of real or personal property. There is no doubt that for a very moderate percentage, much less than now levied on other property, from \$500,000 to \$1,000,000 could be raised from this source. One hundred thousand dollars could be raised by a tax of one half cent per gallon on kerosene oil. A large amount could be raised by a very small tax on evidences of indebtedness, without the usual disastrous results of taxing this class of property.

Evidences of indebtedness might pay a small specific tax.

Probable receipts from such specific taxes.

Advantages to be gained.

There would be no difficulty in raising from three to four million dollars in this way, which would increase as the population and property increased. This would relieve the people of direct taxation, and be so collected as to be in nowise burdensome. It would provide ample revenue for the support of our educational, penal, charitable and reformatory institutions, enable us to pay fair salaries to our public servants, and do many other things which the legislature very properly refrains from now doing on account of adding to the burdens of the taxpayer. If objection is made that manufacturing corporations are now paying taxes on their property the same as others, it must be remembered that they would be relieved from paying a direct State tax. If necessary, the percentage on capital stock could be moderately increased, and the usual exemptions given to their personal property by assessing officers could be legalized. It would seem to me that some change in the methods of raising revenue like that intimated above is well worthy of your serious consideration, in view of the constantly growing burden of taxation on real and personal property, and the fact that so many of those included in this proposed change do not now contribute anything, and would not thereby be required to contribute to a burdensome degree.

The present method of taxing railroads, defended.

The question of taxation of railroads has agitated the public mind ever since railroads have been in operation. Michigan has always treated her railroads as public institutions, supported by the whole public and the whole public should have the benefit of their contributions towards paying the public expenses. In the light of experience it seems to me the present plan has many things in its favor. Under the present system the taxes are collected with a very minimum of expense. They can be increased or diminished as may seem equitable or desirable by simply changing the rate of taxation on the earnings. The people of the whole State, who contribute towards the support and maintenance of railroads, get the benefits of this method, and it makes little difference whether it all goes into the State treasury for State purposes, or whether it goes into the primary school fund for the support of schools, it practically relieves the taxpayers of so much burden of taxation. If it is attempted to assess railroads as other property is assessed, a town that is fortunate enough to have a railroad running through it would get all the benefits derived from taxation of the property of the railroad lying in that township, while an adjoining township, whose residents may contribute much more towards the

Local taxation of railroads, unsatisfactory.

maintenance of the railroad, but which the railroad does not traverse, would get no benefit. Then there would be a constant controversy and irregularity in the rate of assessments. Apparently, under such a system the large business centers, where nearly all the rolling stock and personal property of the corporation would be assessed, would get practically all the benefits, at the expense of the people of the rest of the State who contribute their full share towards the business of railroad companies. It may reasonably be questioned whether if such a system were adopted the railroad companies would not be driven in self defense to take their shops and rolling stock away from the large cities, and build up little towns of their own, devoted entirely to their own interests. It seems to me that the present system of taxing railroads, and the present manner of disposing of the funds derived therefrom, is more equitable and has more to recommend it generally, than any other system yet advanced. In making these statements I am not discussing the question as to whether railroads pay too much or too little taxes, but only to urge that whenever taxes are levied and collected the present system of assessment and disposition of the taxes is the most equitable and desirable for all concerned.

A specific tax on earnings the best method for all concerned.

Four years ago I used the following language in relation to railroads and renewed it two years ago.

"We have in our State a few railroads which were pioneers of their kind and were granted special charters with special privileges. They are today among the most prosperous of our great system of railroads. They have contributed much to the growth and prosperity of our State, and have reaped a golden reward therefor. They have now become an aristocracy, or privileged class of railroads, both as to rates charged and taxes paid. This condition is unjust to the general law roads, and unjust to the people of the State. A State is no more justified in a breach of contract than an individual, but in some instances the railroads have themselves broken the contract, and when this has not been done the charters themselves provide a means for their repeal.

Quotation from message of 1893.

"It only needs to be stated that railroads, like individuals, should be governed by the same laws, and be subject to the same burdens, for the support of the government. I trust this question will receive your early and careful attention."

Taxes on chartered roads.

Since then, the Michigan Central Railroad Company has accepted an amendment to their charter passed by the legislature of 1893, by which they were brought under the provisions of the general law taxing railroads at present rates; but that act has now become a part of their charter, and can be altered or amended only under the same provisions as the charter itself. Generally speaking, railroads are suffering financially about the same as other kinds of business, but the burden of taxation has been increased on all other kinds of property notwithstanding the reduction in income, and there seems to be no good reason why railroads should not share in the increased burdens.

The present
general tax law
commended.

If there is to be no change in the principle of levying taxes, the present tax law is operating better than any of its predecessors, and in such a way that no radical changes would be desirable. It is understood that the Tax Statistician will have some amendments to offer in the manner of assessing property, but nothing, as I understand, involving the general principles of taxation.

Tax clearance
sales a loss to
the treasury.

In connection with the question of taxation it might be proper to state that the bill passed two years ago providing for a clearance sale was, after careful consideration, not permitted to become a law for want of executive signature. Upon consultation with the Auditor General I ascertained that in the seven clearance sales previous to the adoption of the present system, only \$63,000 had been received for lands sold by clearance sales. In his opinion much more would be obtained without making these sales. Experience has shown the wisdom of this decision, because up to this time under our present system more than \$210,000 has been received. There has also been a large amount of land homesteaded.

STATE PRISONS AND PENOLOGY.

CONDITION OF PRISONERS.

Comparative
cost of mainten-
ance at the
different
prisons.

The prisons of Michigan continue to show improved results in discipline, reformation and cost of maintenance. That they can be made, in the aggregate, self-supporting, is not probable, though, under favorable conditions, the one at Jackson should be. The annual net expense of keeping prisoners for the biennial period ending June 30, 1896, at Jackson was \$21.55 per inmate; at Marquette, \$147.61 per inmate; and at Ionia, \$75.32 per inmate. For the biennial period ending June 30, 1894, the net annual cost per inmate at Jackson was \$4.56; at Marquette, \$219.36 and at Ionia, \$215.34. While the cost of maintenance has been somewhat larger at Jackson, it shows a vast improvement at Ionia and Marquette. This has been brought about by change of methods, and by much more efficient management than heretofore. The prisoners have come much nearer earning their own keeping. The State account system has been employed mainly at the Ionia prison, while at Jackson and Marquette the prisoners have been employed under contract. During the past two years but few convicts at Marquette have been employed in productive industries, and for a considerable period the cost of maintenance at Jackson was increased by the long roll of idle convicts.

CONTRACT LABOR.

The contract
labor question.

The dull times make it as difficult to employ prisoners profitably as it does free men. In many prisons throughout the country it has been found very difficult to find any employment. The attitude of labor organizations toward the employment of prisoners has added to this difficulty.

Under the laws of Michigan the boards of control may let the men on contract, employ them on piece work, or manufacture on State account. In my judgment this power should not be curtailed. With all these methods of employment it has been impossible to keep all the prisoners employed in such a manner as to contribute to their own support. In my opinion the contract system, when it can be employed, is the most profitable and desirable for all concerned, though it is the one most severely criticized by labor organizations and prison reformers. These men were consumers before they were imprisoned, and they are consumers still. Most of them were producers before they were confined, and it is not unreasonable that they should produce something to pay the expense of their conviction and maintenance. This should be done in such a manner as not to reduce the price of the products of free labor. Under the contract system the labor must be sold in the open market for what it is worth. The man who purchases it must furnish his own capital, sell his own goods, and compete with other manufacturers. Convict labor does not bring as much as free labor, nor is it worth as much, as experience has proven; nor is there anything to show that manufacturers who employ convict labor are, as a class, more prosperous than other manufacturers. Should it be shown that they were it would simply raise the price of convict labor. Now, under this system, the State receives the pay for each day's work, retains control of the prisoners and enforces its own discipline. The effect on free labor is not different from what it would be if the same number of free men were employed at the same work, except that prisoners will not accomplish nearly as much as free men. Under the State account system, the State must furnish active capital to purchase materials and tools, money to carry a stock of manufactured goods, and men to sell these goods to the public. Usually the work is done under the direction of inexperienced men, and is not successful as a business venture. In this State it has sometimes cost considerably more to the State to maintain prisoners employed on State account in manufacturing than it did to keep the same number of insane, kept under similar conditions, but kept in idleness. Under the contract system, the contractor must pay for his material and his labor, and sell at such prices as to leave him some profit or he cannot continue business. As he must purchase both material and labor in the open market, his competition with other manufacturers is legitimate, and in no way degrades free labor or reduces the market price of the products of free labor. On State account the conditions are different, as the State usually loses money on account of lack of interest and experience in the business. But the State does not have to make money; the State treasury is practically unlimited, and we can, if necessary, sell the goods manufactured at less than the cost of production, and thus not only reduce the demand for the products of free labor, but also reduce the price of those products.

Convicts were consumers before and are not less so in prison.

GRADING OF PRISONERS.

Grading of
prisoners.

The provision of the law in regard to the grading of prisoners has been carried out to a large extent during the past two years. It is safe to say that it has been conducive to great improvement in discipline, as well as a saving of expense.

"Trustys" and
ex convicts are
inimical to dis-
cipline.

The experience of the past two years has seriously raised the question as to the advisability of using trusty convicts in places of responsibility about the prisons, and very decidedly as to the wisdom of the employment of ex-convicts in responsible places in connection with the management of the prisons.

Either proper legislation should be enacted or other means taken to prevent this practice in the future.

PAROLES.

Working of the
parole law.

The parole law has been in effect but a little over a year, during which time seventy-one convicts have received its benefits. Of this number it has been found necessary to retake and return to prison, for violation of the rules governing their parole, only four. Three of these were returned for using intoxicating liquors to excess, and the other for burglary.

Rules relative
to paroles.

Under the provisions of the act, the wardens and boards of control of the several prisons were taken into counsel, for the formulation of rules relative to paroles. These rules provide that the prisoner must be in the first grade, and show by his conduct in prison that he is entitled to leniency. Then some person must be found who is willing to act as the first friend of the convict, and furnish guaranty of employment. The indorsement of the first friend and the approval of the parole is usually asked of the prosecuting attorney and sheriff of the county from which the prisoner was sentenced. As much of his previous history as possible is obtained. If these reports are favorable, the warden then recommends his parole to the board of control, after which it is sent, with their recommendation, to the Governor for final action. Licenses to go at large have been refused to several prisoners who have complied with the other requirements, for the reason that in the judgment of the executive, based on his information as to their habits before conviction, and what their surroundings would be if released, it would not be safe to parole them.

The judgment
of the executive
a needed con-
servative check.

While the warden is liable to be influenced by personal sympathy for the convict, with whom he is acquainted, and even the board is not free from this sympathetic influence, when the case reaches the executive it is deprived of its personality, and he will pass upon it according to the facts presented, and the probabilities as to whether the prisoner will comply with the conditions of the parole. It is not unlikely that more than needed conservatism has been exercised so far in the execution of the law, but it would seem better that this should be done rather than that the opposite course of being too lenient should be pursued, and thus defeat the purpose of the

law. The results indicate that so far the law has fulfilled the expectations of its most ardent advocates.

JUDGES' STATEMENTS.

The experience of the last four years, and more particularly of the last two years, has demonstrated that the conduct of a convict in prison cannot be relied upon alone as a basis for either a pardon or parole, but that information in regard to his previous character, his surroundings when at large, and the general make-up of the man, must be taken into consideration, and even then, after exercising all the caution possible, mistakes will be made. The act of 1895, requiring judges to report to the executive various facts in relation to the character and surroundings of persons sentenced to prison, has already been found to be of great value, and as time elapses, and the number of these reports increase, their value will be very largely enhanced. They are largely instrumental in giving a deserving prisoner the consideration he is entitled to, and equally effective in preventing the Governor and pardon board from being imposed upon after the immediate actors in the trial have passed away, or have forgotten the circumstances. This law may also be said to have in every way fulfilled the expectations of its friends.

Law relating to judges' statements commended.

§ In this connection I desire to call attention to the difficulty of doing justice in cases where persons accused of crime are permitted to plead guilty. The law now provides for an advisory board in the matter of pardons, and makes provision for the Governor to act in matters of application for both pardon and parole; but in cases where a plea of guilty has been entered neither the Governor nor the board has any information to work upon, except the conduct of the prisoner while in prison, and such testimony as those favoring his release may present. One case in particular has been brought to my attention where a prisoner was released from prison, who had pleaded guilty to the commission of a heinous crime, upon satisfactory proof that he was not guilty at all, but had been induced to plead guilty upon the assurance that his sentence would be lightened thereby, and the statement that there was no possible escape from conviction if he stood trial. It would seem to be a wise provision, in case a plea of guilty is entered, to make whatever facts the prosecution rely upon for conviction a part of the record, and if there is any substantial defense this should also be put on record. If this is not done there is not enough of the transaction upon record to impress itself upon the minds of the officials connected with it. In fact the whole record is a blank. If this were done it would enable the executive and the pardon board to act much more intelligently than they now can.

Record of testimony in pleas of guilty.

TRANSFER OF CONVICTS.

First offenders should be sentenced to Lonia prison.

The law providing for the transfer of prisoners from one prison to another was wise legislation. A law should now be enacted requiring judges to sentence all first offenders, except for murder and other aggravated offenses, to the prison at Lonia; and then should they prove refractory, or not subject to reformatory influences, they should be transferred to the prison at Jackson or to the one at Marquette, as circumstances may require. Those now serving at Lonia, for second or third offenses, should be transferred to Jackson.

Transfer from Lonia to Jackson and Marquette.

Distinction between sentences of first and subsequent offenders.

In no other way can there be any successful separation of the prisoners. First offenders should not be placed in confinement with second and third termers, and in many other respects their treatment should be different. If a law were passed providing for a marked distinction between the sentences to be given to those convicted of first, second and subsequent offenses, and courts required to take account of that state of facts at the time of the sentence, it would be a healthful provision. For a first offense, unless it be an aggravated one, a short sentence would seem to meet the demands of justice. For a second offense it should be at least double that for the first, and for the third and subsequent conviction the sentence should be of still greater length.

PRIVATE CORPORATIONS.

Simplification of corporation acts into a few, desirable.

The compilation of the laws authorized by the last legislature has been made, and is ready for publication whenever the legislature authorizes it to be done, but before this is done, I desire to call your attention to the fact that there are over three hundred private corporation acts on the statute books. Probably fifty acts could be combined into one, and the bulk of the statutes reduced at least a volume if this were done. There is also a serious question whether many of the acts passed for the incorporation of a single company or institution do not violate the constitutional provision that corporations shall not be created by special act, except for municipal purposes; this would simplify the laws and reduce expense, and be in every way advantageous to the people, the corporations, and to all persons interested.

Franchise law should reach foreign corporations.

The franchise law should also be amended so as to more effectually reach foreign corporations. There is reputed to be from sixty to seventy-five thousand dollars due the State for franchise fees from foreign corporations. Some provision should be made for collecting this, and taking care of similar corporations in the future.

Amendments to general incorporation law, desirable.

Some amendments should be made to the general corporation law. For instance, manufacturing and mercantile companies are required to pay in but ten per cent of their capital stock. It seems to me this should be increased to twenty per cent, with the regulation that at least ten per cent should be paid in

cash. Mining companies are limited to \$2,500,000 in capital stock, and are required to pay in nothing. If a mining company is in successful operation this is probably a small amount with which to do business, and they should either pay a franchise fee upon their capital and surplus, or the authorized capital should be increased to \$10,000,000, which is not too much to successfully carry on mining operations under modern conditions. In my judgment no company should be permitted to organize without some property, and some money paid in.

It is also desirable that some amendments be made to the law requiring corporations to report. They now report the amount of their capital stock, the amount paid in, and the amount of assets and debts, but they are not required to show what their assets consist of, or whether the business of the corporation is conducted upon credit of the company or by indorsers. The experience of the past two or three years has demonstrated that there is little use to regulate banks in regard to loans to corporations, unless there is also some regulation in regard to corporations as far as the character of their indorsers and the relations which the indorsers bear to the corporations are concerned. The law prohibits banks from loaning more than ten per cent of their capital stock to any one firm or corporation, but the law is evaded by making the papers in different form, but with the same responsibility. The corporation makes the paper and some member of the corporation indorses it, and in another instance some member is the maker and the corporation becomes the indorser. I realize that the enforcement of this legal provision would sometimes be a little embarrassing and might reduce the amount of business, but, in the end, I cannot but think that a proper regulation of this matter would be a healthful one for the people in general, as well as for the banks and business interests.

The act of the legislature two years ago, authorizing the Secretary of State to make examination of the affairs of building and loan associations under certain circumstances was a step in the right direction, but it was believed then and proven now to be wholly inadequate for the purpose for which it was intended. These associations are the most complicated of any of the corporations authorized by law so far as examination is concerned. The stockholders and those in interest are many of them poor people, who know nothing whatever about their management or care. It seems quite as necessary that they should have an annual examination, and be placed under the supervision of some competent State officer, as that banks should be; and I would recommend that the law be amended so as to require at least an annual examination by some competent State authority, and such examinations as in the opinion of such State authority are deemed necessary. A small amount should be levied on each to cover the expense of examination, and something additional for the support of the State government generally.

Law of corporation reports should be amended.

Protection of banks and corporations against themselves.

Building and loan associations—law inadequate to protect members.

Mutual benefit
and fraternal
associations
should be under
State inspection.

There is even greater need that mutual benefit and fraternal associations should be placed under State supervision, than there is that they should be required to make an annual report. The majority of them purport to do a business which requires the most conscientious, honorable and painstaking administration of affairs, as they conduct a life insurance business in addition to their fraternal and social features. They should also contribute enough to pay expenses of examination and something besides.

MILITARY AFFAIRS.

MICHIGAN NATIONAL GUARD.

Condition of M.
N. G. improved.

The condition of the Michigan National Guard has very materially improved during the past two years. It is better equipped and better clothed than ever before. The troops show a great improvement in discipline and in the last two camps there was absolutely no complaint of any interference by the Guard with civilians, and the camp of 1896, especially, showed an observance of order which would be creditable to the regular army under the most rigid discipline.

Strike at Ish-
peming.

During the month of September, 1895, companies D, F, G, and H, of the fifth regiment, and company H of the third regiment were ordered to Ishpeming to protect the property of the citizens there, owing to a strike of monster dimensions among the miners of that region. The duty of the troops was confined exclusively to the preservation of order and the protection of life and property. They remained there twenty days, and except for the death of one private caused by the falling of a tree during a severe storm, nothing unfortunate occurred, no breach of discipline was reported, and the conduct of the troops is deserving of the highest commendation. They were ordered out with scarcely a moment's notice, leaving their homes and business to remain away for over twenty days. It demonstrated that the National Guard can be relied upon under any circumstances for any legitimate duty they may be called upon to perform.

Business man-
agement of
Guard com-
mended.

The excellent business management of the affairs of the National Guard is shown by the fact that the regular encampments have been held each year, and considerable additional expenses have been incurred by the repeated calls for troops. While there are many things greatly desired in the way of equipments, the State Military Board is out of debt, having paid all its bills, besides an indebtedness of \$13,000 which existed four years ago.

A necessary part
of the State gov-
ernment.

I trust there will be no legislation during the present session that will impair the efficiency of this most important portion of the State government.

MICHIGAN NAVAL BRIGADE.

The Michigan Naval Brigade has shown itself worthy of the support it has received at the hands of the State. From the report of the Secretary of the Navy it is evident that our Naval Brigade stands nearly, if not quite, in the front rank of the naval militia in the United States. It has never been called upon for active duty except once, at the time of the strike at Ishpeming, when, through a mistake, the first division at Detroit was ordered to report at once for duty. The order was almost immediately countermanded, but the zeal and alacrity shown in responding to the order was commendable to the highest degree, and demonstrated that they too could be relied upon for any legitimate services they might be called upon to perform, either for the State or for the general government.

Naval brigade
commended.

MISCELLANEOUS.

THE JUDICIARY.

Among the numerous plans proposed by the legislature of 1893 for the relief of the supreme court, the one paying the judges an increased salary and requiring them to reside at Lansing and give their whole time to the work, was adopted. This plan has resulted in bringing and keeping the work of the supreme court up to date, and has accomplished all that was expected of it; but the great number of cases coming to this court is unmistakable evidence that some further measures to relief should be taken in the not distant future. It seems of me the most practical plan would be to limit the amount in controversy that may be appealed. In making this suggestion I am not unmindful of the usual argument that it would deprive a poor litigant of justice, and that many times cases involving but small amounts are quite as important on principle as those larger; but when the whole matter is taken into consideration, it is safe to say that five poor men are deprived of justice by reason of their cases being appealed from court to court at an expense which they are unable to bear, where one is deprived of justice by being prevented from having his case appealed to a higher court.

Relief of Su-
preme court.

PUBLIC HEALTH.

The State Board of Health has been in existence for twenty-four years. Its work has been along the lines of prevention, and the amount of good it has accomplished cannot be computed. It is doing a great deal of valuable work in collecting statistics, but more particularly in disseminating information in regard to the prevention of communicable diseases, and in other ways giving information that will save life and prevent sickness. The Board will present to you some recommendations for changes in the law and for additional appropriations.

Work of State
Board of Health.

**Legislation
needed.**

There may be some new work proposed which it is hardly justifiable to take up at the present time, but this department is doing an immense amount of good at comparatively small expense, and what is needed for the dissemination of information, the collection of reports and the holding of sanitary conventions by themselves, or in connection with farmers' institutes, should be appropriated to its use.

FARMERS' INSTITUTES.**Success of institutes
already held.**

The five thousand dollars appropriated by the last legislature for each of the years 1895-96 has all been expended, and institutes held in practically all the counties of the State. That they have been popular is shown by the increased demand for institutes in 1896, over the previous year, and it is reasonable to suppose a large amount of valuable information has been disseminated in this way. I would suggest in this connection that not only professors from the Agricultural College and practical agriculturists be secured to deliver talks at these institutes, but those from the University, as well, who can teach sanitation, physics, plumbing, drainage, rudiments of law and such other matters as may be instructive and valuable to those in attendance. The State Board of Health could also furnish lecturers who could give much valuable information in relation to the preservation of health, and the prevention of diseases, especially of communicable diseases. This would not only be the means of a general diffusion of much valuable knowledge but it would bring the people of the State and these institutions and boards closer together, give each a better understanding of the others, and be valuable in many respects.

Suggestions.**VITAL STATISTICS.****Change in law
recommended.**

Heretofore the State has been to considerable expense in collecting vital statistics. The facts for the reports are collected so long after births and deaths have occurred that they are unreliable and inaccurate. There will be a proposition made to require burial permits to be issued in all cases, and the cause of death reported by the township clerk monthly to the Secretary of State and county clerk. I heartily commend this change in the law; it will not add to the expense, because it will use the machinery already existing, will add materially to the value of these reports and in fact make them the first approximately correct reports the State has issued on this subject.

FORESTRY.**Necessity for
preservation of
forests.**

Michigan, once covered with a wealth of forest, has been almost completely denuded, and much of the land from which the timber has been stripped is of little value for cultivation, especially in these times when even good lands will hardly pay

the expense of cultivation. There are still some forests left, and much of the land could be utilized in the production of valuable timber in the future, as well as for the preservation to some extent of game and fish. This could very properly be placed under the general direction of the Commissioner of the State Land Office, with perhaps some assistance from the State Board of Agriculture, who have under their charge quite a large body of land yet unsold. This would in a few years prove of great benefit to the State, besides assist in reclaiming vast tracts which have become practically desert. Foreign countries are much ahead of us in this respect, as are the New England states. The times are hard for making very much of an appropriation but a moderate appropriation looking to some plan for finally establishing a forestry department of the State is well worthy of your earnest consideration.

Forestry Department suggested

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY.

During the last two years Vol. 5, including Dr. Rominger's report, which had been delayed for several years, has been published, and met with a royal welcome from all those interested in geology. The survey of Isle Royal has been completed, a large amount of work has been done in the counties of Huron, Sanilac and Monroe, and Vol. 6 is now in the hands of the printer. Taken as a whole, this work, which was so long delayed, and seemed to have some fatality attached to it, is being pushed in a vigorous, intelligent and comprehensive manner, and it will result in much more benefit to the State than it will cost.

Work of the survey progressing.

MISCELLANEOUS BUREAUS.

The Commissioner of Insurance, Commissioner of Railroads, Commissioner of the Banking Department, Commissioner of Labor, Dairy and Food Commissioner, State Inspector of Oils, State Inspector of Salt, and State Game and Fish Warden, have all performed their various duties well, and these bureaus all show much improvement, and give unmistakable evidence of their right to exist. The Dairy and Food Commissioner has accomplished a great deal in the way of enforcing observance of pure food laws, and taking into consideration the length of time that the law has been in force it is being exceedingly well observed by dealers all over the State.

STATE INSTITUTIONS.

UNIVERSITY.

While it is not improbable that appropriations for new buildings at the University will be needed some time in the near future, it is to be hoped that nothing in addition to the very liberal allowance derived from the one-sixth mill tax will be

Michigan University.

Tuition of foreign students should be increased.

asked for or granted this year. If this institution is to receive students from other states they should be required to pay an amount in tuition equal, at least, to the cost of their instruction.

STATE NORMAL SCHOOL.

Generally.

The State Normal School is reported to be in a prosperous condition, and fulfilling to a remarkable degree the purposes for which it was created.

Training school appropriation.

In the expenditure of the \$25,000 appropriated by the last legislature for a training school the board seemed to have misapprehended the intention of the legislature. While the appropriation was but \$25,000, its contract for the building called for an expenditure of \$39,675. In this contract there was no provision for grading, heating, lighting or furnishing. The foundation of the building was laid before the attention of the executive was called to this action. The Auditor General was consulted and determined that he would not be authorized to pay even the \$25,000 for a building which was likely to cost twice that amount. In view of this fact the board remodeled its plans and only covered a portion of the foundation, and as I understand it, will finish, furnish, heat and light it within the appropriation.

CENTRAL MICHIGAN NORMAL SCHOOL.

Institution designed as a training school for primary and district school teachers.

By act No. 261, of 1895, the State Board of Education was authorized and directed to procure a deed of certain lands and buildings in the city of Mt. Pleasant, to be known as the Central Michigan Normal School. No appropriation was made for it, but the school has been under the direction of the State Board of Education since that time, although the people of Mt. Pleasant have borne the expense incident to its management up to January 1, 1897, and will now expect the State to bear all further expenses of the institution.

Suggestions.

The design of the school was for the preparation and training of students for teaching in the rural districts and in the primary departments of the graded schools; it being the theory that the rural districts and the primary grades need trained teachers as much as do the higher departments of our graded schools. If this school is confined to this purpose, it can undoubtedly do a great amount of good at a comparatively small expense, but under no circumstances should it be permitted to duplicate the courses pursued at the Normal School at Ypsilanti. The graduates from the school at Ypsilanti are all absorbed by the cities and larger village schools, and the rural districts and primary grades get very little direct benefit from this school.

STATE AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE.

Rank high.

This college continues its high rank among the other agricultural colleges of the nation. There have been some radical

changes made, which promise to increase the usefulness of the institution, although they have been on trial too short a time to determine definitely what the result will be. It does seem, however, that an institution so well endowed, and affording such a wide range of opportunities for education should be more liberally patronized by the great agricultural classes of our State. It would seem that they do not fully realize the great advantages to be obtained here, or the attendance would be larger than it now is, or ever has been.

Should be better patronised.

MICHIGAN MINING SCHOOL.

This institution stands well among the schools of its class anywhere in this or in any other country. The number of pupils in attendance is steadily increasing. It is located in the heart of the great mining regions of the State, and I believe is accomplishing the purpose for which it was established thoroughly and well. I understand that the eighty-six young men who have graduated from it, with one or two exceptions, are employed in their professions satisfactorily, and there are now in attendance one hundred and sixteen.

Rank and growth.

The board desire some additions to their present room, and will probably want some increase in current expenses. Under the present provisions of law, the appropriations for this institution expire on the first of January of the year of the meeting of the legislature, and they have no funds from that time until an emergency bill can be passed, or the regular appropriation becomes available. I think it would be wise to change the law so as to place it on the same footing as other State institutions in this respect. This institution is a technical one, and necessarily very expensive in proportion to the number of pupils in attendance. So far no tuition has been charged. The board are now considering the question of tuition, but will await the action of congress in relation to schools of this kind. It is reasonable to believe, however, that when this school is ready to give full courses with proper equipment, students will be required to contribute toward the expense of their instruction.

A change needed in the form of appropriation.

MICHIGAN SOLDIERS' HOME.

This institution is in very creditable condition indeed. Extensive improvements have been made in the water supply, in additions to the hospital, and in general repairs to the main building and the woman's annex. There is now an air of contentment and comfort about the institution which is very gratifying to an interested visitor. The board has not used all the moneys appropriated by the last legislature, but has a substantial sum left, and is entitled to great credit for giving a maximum of comfort for a minimum of expense. It will ask for no special appropriations this year as a board, but there will be requests from other sources for a dining room and

Economy of administration commended.

Additions to
women's annex
not favored.

kitchen addition to the women's annex. That this in many respects would be desirable is not denied, but the distance the inmates of that department have to walk to and from their meals is about three hundred feet; their other duties consist only in the care of their rooms, and on the whole they are exceedingly comfortable; in fact, more comfortable than they ever were before, and more comfortable than the average of our citizens. It would seem that no particular harm would result by postponing these improvements for two years at least. These improvements would probably cost in the neighborhood of \$10,000, and would involve an increase of current expenses of from \$2 500 to \$3,000. This is a large increase of expenses when the number of inmates of this department is considered. It is probable that their numbers will be increased, but probably not to exceed fifty or sixty.

Appropriations
for home and
annex should be
in gross.

The increasing age of the inmates of the Home is likely to make it necessary within a few years for some radicals change in all its departments, and, in view of the large demands made upon the purse of the people, they should be satisfied without additional improvements for two years. Heretofore, appropriations have been made for the Home and the women's annex separately. As their care and management are so intimately interwoven there is no good reason why the appropriation should not be made in gross, so as to cover both institutions thus saving a large amount of work in bookkeeping and accounting, and arriving at precisely the same results.

MICHIGAN HOME FOR FEEBLE MINDED AND EPILEPTIC.

Institution was
needed.

The Home for the Feeble Minded and Epileptic, at Lapeer, has been completed as far as the appropriations were made in 1903, and two hundred patients are now accommodated therein. This is a new institution, and on lines new to the State of Michigan. There have been many things to learn, both by the board of control, and by the superintendent, but the knowledge gained clearly shows the wisdom of the establishment of the institution. The board recommends the building of six cottages in addition to the one provided for by the last legislature, which is now under contract for erection, which would make four cottages for the accommodation of epileptics, and four for the feeble minded, two of each class for each sex, and one to be used temporarily for an administration building. They also recommend the purchase of more land and the enlargement of kitchen, dining room and boiler room to meet the increased demands, as well as the building of a laundry. What is asked for is in the direction of the accommodation of the inmates rather than for the accommodation of the superintendent or officers, or for display. It seems to me that this is in the right direction. With the demands made upon the institution since it was opened for the reception of inmates, and the information gained in its management, it would seem that it is a right step in the interests of humanity and the practical solving of

Buildings and
improvements
needed.

the question of providing for this class of unfortunates. After the necessary buildings are completed, and experience is gained in their training, the expense of maintaining them will be less in a State institution than in the poorhouses, and they will not be left as a burden on their friends or as a plague to society. I commend this institution to your most careful consideration.

Benefits to be derived.

UPPER PENINSULA HOSPITAL FOR INSANE.

By means of the appropriations made in 1895, the capacity of this institution has been increased to three hundred, and it now has about one hundred and eighty patients. They are asking for appropriations for three cottages, to accommodate fifty inmates each, and an addition to their infirmary, which will accommodate twenty-five patients, making accommodations for a total of four hundred and seventy-five inmates. This, it is estimated, will take care of all the patients whose residences are in the Upper Peninsula, and provide for the natural increase there and a little more. This is all the additional accommodations that will be asked for by the insane asylums this year, except for an acute hospital at Kalamazoo. It would not seem that the additions proposed are more than is needed. The construction, furnishing and management of this institution, so far, has cost a great deal more per capita than has been paid for the same accommodations in the asylums in the lower peninsula. A portion of this extra expense is due to its location, a portion is due to the character of the material used, but much more is owing to the necessity for guarding against the climatic conditions which have to be met. The State is now paying sixty cents per day per capita for the keeping of patients in this institution, while it is paying but forty-four cents per day per capita in the other asylums. It will, probably, always cost more to take care of the patients in this institution than in any of the others, but this very marked difference should not continue if it has proper management.

Capacity at present.

Cost of care increased over other asylums.

MICHIGAN SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF.

This institution continues to grow in the number of its pupils, the character of instruction given and the work done by it generally. It stands very high in comparison with similar institutions in the country, and is entitled in the future to a continuance of the very liberal support it has received in the past.

Stands high in comparison with others.

MICHIGAN SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND.

The School for the Blind is among the smaller of the charitable institutions of the State, but it is being exceedingly well managed, and is fulfilling the purpose for which it was intended in a very commendable way indeed.

Well managed.

STATE PUBLIC SCHOOL.

Its work a grand one and successfully carried out.

This institution, which has become very popular, because of the grand work it has done in taking homeless children and giving them good training and the rudiments of an education, and furnishing them with homes, has exceeded all previous records in providing these waifs with good homes, thereby reducing the expenses of the institution.

INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FOR BOYS.

Constantly improving.

The Industrial School for Boys continues to improve in the matter of its management generally, and in the training of its pupils.

INDUSTRIAL HOME FOR GIRLS.

Is doing well in its sphere.

This institution is doing remarkably good work, in saving a great many wayward girls, and making them good and honorable members of society, who would otherwise be the reverse, and its management of finances and methods of training are entitled to the highest commendation. As above stated, it needs some other institution to relieve it of the care of some of the older girls.

ASYLUMS FOR THE INSANE.

Care of insane creditable to the State.

The Michigan Asylum at Kalamazoo, the Eastern Asylum at Pontiac, and the Northern Asylum at Traverse City, are in remarkably good condition, and are keeping fully abreast of the times, so far as the management of these institutions is concerned. The meeting once in six months of the joint boards of the asylums has a tendency to promote uniformity of management and the adoption of all the best methods of caring for the inmates in each. In these three large asylums the State is taking care of its inmates in a way that is creditable both to the State and to the public, and the State is receiving the largest amount of humane care for the smallest amount of expense that is consistent in the treatment of this unfortunate class of our public charges.

MICHIGAN ASYLUM FOR DANGEROUS AND CRIMINAL INSANE.

Excellent management.

This institution is intrusted with the care of a class of unfortunates that is perhaps the most difficult to manage in many respects of any under State care. It is well managed, both financially and in its methods of treatment of its patients. It has just completed an additional cottage for its use.

STATE LIBRARY.

Traveling libraries proving a success.

The State Library is increasing rapidly in size, and much more rapidly in efficiency. The traveling libraries provided by the legislature two years ago are already proving to be very

popular, and serve to call the attention of the public generally to a fact which they have never seemed to realize before, that we have a State Library. It is worthy of a continuance of the liberal support it has had in the past.

POWERS OF BOARDS.

The management of State institutions by separate boards, the members of which are appointed for long terms and serve for the honor and not for the compensation, has proven a very satisfactory method. If any one doubts this, he has but to visit the institutions themselves, or read their history in the past. There have been no defalcations, no moneys lost, and very rarely indeed any misappropriations made, while the duties devolving upon some of these boards have become so large and intricate that it may be well in the near future to provide more definitely what their duties shall be. The boards of trustees of the insane asylums have given a large amount of time to their duties without pecuniary compensation, and the condition of the asylums show the value of their work. This year the board for the Eastern Asylum purchased some land out of funds it had saved from its current expenses. I do not know as anyone has questioned the wisdom of this proceeding, or claims that it was not for the best interests of the institution, but when the accounts were presented to the Auditor General he held that there was no legal authority for them to buy real estate, and refused to audit the account. The board for the Northern Asylum at Traverse City did substantially the same thing and with the same result. It might be well to define in specific terms what these boards may and may not do; that they may make the necessary repairs and conduct the necessary business of their respective institutions, but that they shall not, without the express authority of the legislature, enlarge the capacity of an institution. Great care should be exercised by the legislature not to so curtail the powers of a board as to work injury to the large institution of which it has charge. In the powers of the other boards there is also a lack of definiteness which it is desirable to have prescribed by law.

Separate boards of management commended.

Duties of boards should be more clearly defined by law.

It would seem wise that some law be passed to prevent boards from expending moneys, or making contracts for buildings in excess of appropriations made for that purpose by the legislature. If this practice of getting an appropriation and then building to suit the taste or inclination of the boards is continued there would hardly seem to be any use of having legislative sanction at all. It is unwise and unbusinesslike, and should be prohibited in the future. All charitable, penal and reformatory institutions are prohibited now from making contracts for buildings until after the State Board of Corrections and Charities have certified that in their opinion they can be completed within the appropriation. This provision does not apply to educational institutions, but I believe some provision of this character should be made.

Practice of building in excess of appropriations denounced.

Employment of
superintending
architect
suggested.

In view of the vast amount which the State has invested and is likely to invest in new buildings and improvements, the time is not far distant when the plan adopted by the federal government, that of employing a supervising architect, should be adopted. This matter should not be left to the option of persons without experience in that line, and there should be some uniformity adopted in relation to State buildings and their plan and method of construction. In saying this I do not wish to be understood as claiming that this has not been reasonably well done in the past, but the time is fast approaching when a change will become necessary.

CONCLUSION.

General praise
for State officials.

In concluding this already long message, I desire to state that there are many officials and many departments of the State government, all important in themselves, to which I should have been pleased to give particular attention, but the number of these subjects to be treated, and the necessarily limited space of a message, has rendered such mention impossible. Had there been anything which I deemed deserved criticism, it would have been made freely, so that any who may feel aggrieved by being omitted from special mention may take it for granted there was no special criticism to make. The State is constantly growing, the demands of civilization are increasing, and the position of Governor has long since ceased to be a sinecure, if the incumbent discharges the duties which properly devolve upon him. It is not too much to say that all the departments of our State government, and all our State institutions, are in as good condition, at least, as they ever have been at any other period of our statehood, and I am proud to say that I believe in most cases there has been a very material improvement during the past four years.

Executive office
no sinecure.

As members of the legislature you are to meet greater responsibilities than any of your predecessors, on account of the rapid growth of the State and the various increased demands of our institutions. In performing this duty you are called upon to exercise the best judgment in determining what is needed, and in the same connection what can be dispensed with, and the ability of the people of the State at this time to pay the expenses of the State Government. It is not always that additional State institutions are necessarily an increased burden to the people who pay the taxes. It many times means merely a transfer from the various municipalities of the State to the State itself. The history of the State shows that in all its departments its affairs have been well managed as a rule, and it is not too much to presume that you, like your predecessors, will discharge this obligation with honor to the State and credit to yourselves.

JOHN T. RICH.

PARDONS AND COMMUTATIONS.

To the Legislature:

In accordance with the provisions of Sec. 11, of Art. V, of the Constitution of Michigan, I have the honor to submit herewith a list of the pardons and commutations of sentence granted by me during the years 1895 and 1896, with the reasons therefor.

Very respectfully,

JOHN T. RICH,

Governor.

PARDONS.

HAROLD O. HENDERSON.

State House of Correction and Reformatory at Ionia. Convicted in the circuit court for the county of Ingham of breaking and entering a dwelling house in the day time, and sentenced for three years from December 8, 1892. Pardoned February 19, 1895.

Pardon is recommended by Pardon Board for reason that he does not evidently belong to the criminal class and that he did not intend to commit the crime for which he was convicted. His behavior in prison has been most exceptional, and the party most aggrieved has asked for his release. Believing that the ends of justice have been fully met by the time he has already been in prison, his pardon is hereby granted to take effect February 22, 1895.

FRANK J. DICKERSON.

Detroit House of Correction. Convicted in the recorder's court for the city of Detroit, of being a disorderly person, and sentenced for two years from December 8, 1893. Pardoned April 18, 1895.

This young man was sentenced at the request of his father for being a tippler, but from the evidence of the warden, the judge who sentenced him and the prosecuting attorney, it would seem that the purpose for which he was imprisoned has been accomplished and, as the offense was against himself rather than against the community, there appears to be no good reason why he should longer be confined. His release is recommended by the Board of Pardons.

GEORGE FOX.

State Prison at Jackson. Convicted in the circuit court for the county of Berrien, of rape, and sentenced for seven years from February 11, 1891. Pardoned August 13, 1895.

The pardon of Fox is recommended by the judge, prosecuting attorney, and numerous leading citizens of Berrien county, as well as by the Board of Pardons. There are grave doubts of his guilt, and in any event he has been sufficiently punished for the moral wrong committed. His release is therefore ordered.

BELA SHOUT.

State House of Correction and Reformatory at Ionia. Convicted in the circuit court for the county of Shiawassee, of larceny, and sentenced for three years from June 5, 1894. Pardoned November 23, 1895.

His pardon is recommended by the judge who sentenced him, the prosecuting attorney, and the Board of Pardons. He does not naturally belong to the criminal class and his sentence was rather severe for the offense committed, taking into consideration all the circumstances surrounding the case. The judge who sentenced him now says that had he then been in possession of all the facts as he now knows them he should not have imposed sentence exceeding six months.

JOHN M. DE WITT.

State House of Correction and Reformatory at Ionia. Convicted in the circuit court for the county of Iosco, of larceny, and sentenced for four years from December 3, 1892. Pardoned November 27, 1895.

His sentence was rather severe for the crime committed, taking into consideration all of the circumstances surrounding it, and believing on account of his age and his conduct in prison that the ends of justice have been fully subserved his pardon is granted.

OLIE J. WATKINS.

State Prison at Jackson. Convicted in the recorder's court for the city of Detroit, for forgery, and sentenced for three years from June 12, 1894. Pardoned November 27, 1895.

There is strong doubt as to whether Watkins is guilty of the crime of which he was convicted. He has been an exemplary man in prison, has a wife and five little children who are much in need of his assistance in their support, and as he has already suffered sufficient punishment for the offense charged against him his release is ordered. His pardon is recommended by the board of pardons, and many prominent and influential citizens of Detroit have favored his release.

H. J. McNULTY.

State House of Correction and Reformatory at Ionia. Convicted in the superior court of the city of Grand Rapids, of forgery, and sentenced for one year and six months from October 24, 1893. Pardoned January 16, 1895.

McNulty's term of imprisonment would have expired January 25, 1895. His wife died suddenly on January 15. As the time between that day and the expiration of his term was so short, and in order that he might go home to arrange for and attend the funeral of his wife, his pardon is granted.

JACOB ASHER.

State House of Correction and Reformatory at Ionia. Convicted in the circuit court for the county of Eaton, of conspiracy, and sentenced for one year from May 12, 1894. Pardoned February 19, 1895.

Asher is released on the statement of the prison physician that he is afflicted with cancer of the stomach and cannot live but a few days.

JOHN CLAYPOOL.

State House of Correction and Reformatory at Ionia. Convicted in the recorder's court of the city of Detroit, of burglary, and sentenced for five years from June 1, 1893. Transferred from State Prison, at Jackson, to State House of Correction and Reformatory, at Ionia, April 20, 1895. Pardoned June 1, 1895.

Claypool was pardoned on the statement of the prison physician that he is dying of consumption.

JOSEPH P. MALADY.

Michigan Asylum for Dangerous and Criminal Insane at Ionia. Convicted in the circuit court for the county of Berrien, of burglary, and sentenced for seven years and six months from February 14, 1891. Transferred from State Prison, at Jackson, because of insanity. Pardoned July 24, 1895.

Malady's previous character had, so far as known, always been of the best. His people in New York state promise to take him home and care for him, and believing that a release at this time would greatly aid in his restoration to health and mind, his pardon is granted.

MARC J. BRONKHORST.

State House of Correction and Reformatory at Ionia. Convicted in the recorder's court of the city of Detroit, of assault with intent to rob and sentenced for ten years from September 9, 1891. Pardoned January 20, 1896.

Bronkhorst was pardoned in order that he might go to England to care for his mother. The British consul at Philadelphia urged his release on this account.

BARTHOLOMEW SANDS.

State Prison, at Jackson. Convicted in the circuit court for the county of Oakland, of rape, and sentenced for life, from September 20, 1869. Pardoned January 28, 1896.

Sands is one of the oldest convicts in the State Prison, and is in feeble health, being continually confined in the prison hospital. He will not

live very long. A good home has been provided for him with his sister in Saginaw county. The question of his guilt is not taken into consideration in granting his release.

JOHN McDONALD.

State House of Correction and Branch of State Prison in Upper Peninsula, at Marquette. Convicted in the circuit court for the county of Marquette, of murder, and sentenced for life from February 19, 1890. Pardoned March 23, 1896.

This case has been under investigation by the Governor and Board of Pardons for the past four years, and a large amount of testimony taken bearing on the alleged offense, and it is the unanimous opinion of the Board of Pardons, based on this testimony, that McDonald is innocent of the crime charged against him. This evidence is of the most convincing character, and shows beyond a reasonable doubt that another person committed the crime. A question has been raised as to the character of the witness who gives this evidence. Her story is corroborated in many ways, but even standing by itself it is as much entitled to credit as that of the persons upon whose testimony McDonald was convicted, and with this distinction, that no motive can be found for her to tell anything but the truth, while in the case of the complaining witnesses their liberty depended upon McDonald's conviction.

WILLIAM H. STAPLEFORD.

State House of Correction and Reformatory at Ionia. Convicted in the circuit court for the county of Huron, of assault with intent to do great bodily harm, and sentenced for three years from February 14, 1894. Pardoned May 1, 1896.

Stapleford is affected with a peculiar nervous disease, which can probably be helped by medical treatment, and believing that he has already served long enough in prison, he is released.

THOMAS DAUGHERTY.

State Prison, at Jackson. Convicted in the recorder's court of the city of Detroit, of breaking and entering a shop in the day time, and sentenced to five years from May 3, 1894. Pardoned May 12, 1896.

Daugherty is released solely on account of ill health. He is afflicted with pulmonary consumption, and will probably live but a short time.

SARAH HAVILAND.

State Prison, at Jackson. Convicted in the circuit court for the county of Calhoun, of murder in first degree, and sentenced for life from June 7, 1866. Pardoned May 13, 1896.

Mrs. Haviland is the only female convict in the State Prison, where she has been confined for thirty years. Her conduct has been most excellent, and she has on two occasions, by giving a timely alarm, been the means of preventing prisoners from escaping. She is quite aged and infirm, and has a good home to go to, where she can quietly spend her few remaining years.

JAMES TROY.

State House of Correction and Branch of the State Prison in the Upper Peninsula, at Marquette. Convicted in the circuit court for the county of Gogebic, of burglary and larceny, and sentenced for five years and six months from February 16, 1893. Pardoned June 15, 1896.

Pardon is recommended by the circuit judge, prosecuting attorney and Board of Pardons, on the ground that since his sentence circumstances have arisen which seem to show that there is a reasonable doubt of his guilt. For this reason his release is ordered.

FAYETTE E. McALLISTER.

State House of Correction and Reformatory at Ionia. Convicted in the circuit court for the county of Kalamazoo, of seduction, and sentenced for three years and six months from December 22, 1893. Pardoned September 18, 1896.

Pardon is asked by judge, prosecuting attorney, and complaining witness, and is recommended by Pardon Board. Believing that the interests of justice have been fully subserved, his release is ordered.

FRED FOERSTER.

State House of Correction and Reformatory at Ionia. Convicted in the circuit court for the county of Roscommon, of perjury and sentenced for one year and six months from January 16, 1896. Pardoned September 18, 1896.

Under all the circumstances of the case it is considered that the boy has received sufficient punishment for the offense committed, and as his previous reputation had always been good, it is believed that no good can be obtained by his further detention in prison. His release is urged by both judge and prosecuting attorney, and is recommended by the Board of Pardons.

MELVIN RYON.

State House of Correction and Reformatory at Ionia. Convicted in the circuit court for the county of Shiawassee of rape, and sentenced for five years from May 21, 1894. Pardoned September 26, 1896.

Developments subsequent to the conviction of Ryon have convinced the prosecuting officer that he was not guilty of the crime charged. His pardon is urged by the judge who sentenced him, and by a very large number of the leading citizens of Shiawassee county, and is recommended by the Board of Pardons.

DANIEL SCHREYER.

State Prison at Jackson. Convicted in the circuit court for the county of Cass, of passing counterfeit coin, and sentenced for eight years from October 19, 1893. Pardoned September 29, 1896.

The sentence in this case is deemed an excessive one, in view of the fact that he was a victim. He was a mere boy, of good character and

habits, with the exception of an occasional excessive indulgence in intoxicating drinks. The judge and prosecuting attorney join in a recommendation for his pardon. From the facts shown it seems impossible that any judge should have sentenced this boy for so long a term for such an offense.

JOSEPH SWEENEY.

State Prison at Jackson. Convicted in the superior court of the city of Grand Rapids, of assault with intent to commit rape, and sentenced for ten years from January 5, 1892. Pardoned October 13, 1896.

Circumstances and facts that have come to light since the trial and sentence demonstrate that the testimony of the principal witness against Sweeney was totally unreliable, and creates much more than a reasonable doubt as to his guilt. The prosecuting attorney now believes him innocent of the crime. His release is recommended by the Board of Pardons after careful investigation and mature consideration of the case in all its details.

JESSE CARTER.

State Prison at Jackson. Convicted in the circuit court for the county of Berrien of manslaughter, and sentenced for fifteen years from February 2, 1893. Pardoned October 13, 1896.

Carter is a colored boy, and was nineteen years old at the time of the commission of the crime. Was sober and industrious and had always borne a good reputation. Facts have come to the knowledge of the prosecuting officers and Board of Pardons since the trial tending to show his innocence, and the recommendation of the Board is based upon that reason. The leading citizens of Niles, where the crime was committed, almost unanimously urge his pardon for this reason.

FRANK KABAT.

State Prison at Jackson. Convicted in the recorder's court of the city of Detroit, of manslaughter, and sentenced for seven years from December 19, 1892. Pardoned November 6, 1896.

Facts have come to the knowledge of the officers of the law and the Board of Pardons since the sentence of Kabat, which impress them that the sentence was too severe, and for this reason, believing that he has already served sufficient time for the offense committed, his release is granted.

CHARLES PAUL.

State Prison at Jackson. Convicted in the superior court of the city of Grand Rapids, of assault with intent to commit rape, and sentenced for six years from September 25, 1893. Pardoned November 25, 1896.

In view of all the facts developed on the trial, and of information obtained since the trial, I am convinced that Paul has been sufficiently punished. There are also grave doubts of his being guilty of the offense of which he was convicted.

LOUIS GERMAN.

State House of Correction and Reformatory at Ionia. Convicted in the circuit court for the county of Mecosta, of perjury, and sentenced for five years from July 23, 1896. Pardoned November 25, 1896.

German is pardoned on the recommendation of the Board of Pardons. Except for the verdict of the jury and the action of the court, it would be reasonable to presume that German was honestly mistaken in the dates given in his testimony upon which the question of his guilt depended, but he seems to have been unfortunate in being associated with bad company. Without questioning the correctness of the verdict or the action of the court, it would seem that, in view of the character of the man and his surroundings, he has been sufficiently punished for this crime, and that the law has been vindicated and society protected from this class of offenses. He is therefore given a full and unconditional pardon.

LETTIE PLINE.

Ionia county jail. Convicted in the circuit court for the county of Ionia of assault with intent to do great bodily harm, and sentenced for six months from December 10, 1895. Pardoned February 14, 1896.

Mrs. Pline is pardoned on grounds of humanity only. Reputable physicians certify that she is to become a mother in the near future. She is confined in a small room with another woman, and there are no rooms in the jail or at the control of the sheriff where other and better accommodations can be furnished. The physician further states that the woman's life is in danger if she remains in the room where now confined. Her sister will take her to her home and give her such care as her condition demands. She has served since December 10, 1895, on a six months' sentence. While it is not the purpose to reduce the punishment, it must be conceded that her condition makes her punishment much greater than was expected when she was sentenced.

HOWARD ALLEN.

State Prison at Jackson. Convicted in the recorder's court of the city of Detroit of larceny, and sentenced for three years from August 3, 1894. Pardoned October 19, 1896.

Allen is pardoned at the behest of prominent citizens, and the recommendation of the circuit judge. The expiration of his term is near at hand, and he goes to Kansas, where he is to be furnished employment by his brother.

FRED FOOTE.

State Prison at Jackson. Convicted in the circuit court for the county of Genesee of murder in the first degree, and sentenced for life from March 1, 1886. Pardoned December 10, 1896.

Foote is a man about 33 years of age. The crime was committed while he was in a state of intoxication, and was, to a large extent, provoked. Public sentiment at the time of the trial was strongly against him, and his conviction of murder in the first degree is now conceded

by the court officials not to have been fully warranted by the evidence. His release is urged by the judge and prosecuting attorney, and recommended by the Pardon Board. He is pardoned on condition that he abstain from the use of intoxicating beverages for the term of five years. A bond of \$250 is given to insure his compliance with this condition.

SETH AIKEN.

State Prison at Jackson. Convicted in the circuit court for the county of Manistee, of manslaughter, and sentenced for ten years from December 19, 1890. Pardoned December 11, 1896.

Aiken is neither vicious nor an habitual criminal, and his crime was directly brought about by over-indulgence in intoxicating beverages. His release is urged by the judge and prosecuting attorney, and unanimously recommended by the Board of Pardons. The citizens of Manistee county generally ask for his pardon. He is a strong, healthy man, and a good workman at his trade, and there seems to be no doubt about his being able to obtain steady employment. For these reasons his pardon is ordered.

COMMUTATIONS.

HENRI CLOUGH.

State House of Correction and Reformatory at Ionia. Convicted in the circuit court for the county of St. Joseph, of burglary, and sentenced for six years from January 26, 1891. Sentence commuted February 2, 1895, so as to expire February 4, 1895.

Sentence was a long one. Judge states that it was supposed that Clough was implicated in other offenses, but it has since been proved that he was not. His conduct in prison has been excellent. By his skill in a certain class of work he has earned enough to entitle him to consideration. It is believed that if he is released he will become a useful citizen.

CHARLES MAY.

State Prison at Jackson. Convicted in the circuit court for the county of Calhoun, of horse stealing, and sentenced for five years from June 9, 1892. Sentence commuted February 20, 1895, so as to expire March 25, 1895.

May stole two horses, one in Kalamazoo county and the other in Calhoun county. He was tried and convicted in Kalamazoo county and sentenced for two and one-half years, the judge taking into consideration the larceny of both horses, and the fact of his not belonging to the criminal class and not strong mentally. After serving the two and one-half years' sentence he was arrested and convicted in Calhoun county

and sentenced to five years' imprisonment. The judge states that if he had known the circumstances he would not have imposed so severe a sentence, and believing that the ends of justice have been fully met his sentence is commuted.

JAMES HARCOURT.

State House of Correction and Branch of the State Prison in the Upper Peninsula at Marquette. Convicted in the circuit court for the county of Chippewa, of manslaughter, and sentenced for ten years from September 19, 1891. Sentence commuted May 6, 1895, so as to expire May 8, 1895.

While the evidence at the trial failed to convince the jury that the shooting was strictly in self defense, it does show that Harcourt had reason to believe that Dunn would shoot him at the first opportunity. After a thorough investigation of this case the conclusion has been reached that in view of all the circumstances Harcourt has been sufficiently punished for the offense. This position is sustained by the recommendation of the jury before whom he was tried, by two separate and distinct pardon boards and by a very large number of prominent citizens of the State, acquainted with the two men and with the circumstances of the shooting. Interested friends have raised a small amount of money to aid him to start anew in life, far from the scenes of his past life, where he will follow an entirely different occupation from that in which he was formerly engaged.

CHARLES O. SEAMAN.

State Prison at Jackson. Convicted in the circuit court for the county of Macomb, of murder in the second degree, and sentenced for ten years from August 30, 1888. Sentence commuted September 26, 1895, so as to expire September 28, 1895.

The pardon of Seaman is recommended by the circuit judge, the prosecuting attorney and many of the best citizens of Macomb and Wayne counties, as well as by the Pardon Board. He is an actor by profession, and in order that he may have an opportunity to secure a position at the opening of the theatrical season his sentence is commuted. His good time would have expired February 28, 1896.

OSCAR STRAND.

State House of Correction and Branch of the State Prison in the Upper Peninsula at Marquette. Convicted in the circuit court for the county of Iron, of assault with intent to do great bodily harm, and sentenced for eight years from May 14, 1890. Sentence commuted October 18, 1895, so as to expire October 21, 1895.

This is a peculiar case and the injury done to the complaining witness was painful and disfiguring, but the man had a hasty trial and was defended by an attorney who had no time to prepare for the case. One man who was next to the two men when the injury was inflicted was not sworn on the trial and he now makes affidavit that he thought then and still thinks it was an accident. He has now served nearly five and one-half years, has a good prison record and the unanimous recommendation of the Pardon Board. In view of the doubt as to the malicious intention, it is believed that the ends of justice will be best subserved by his release.

CLINTON E. WORDEN.

State House of Correction and Reformatory at Ionia. Convicted in the superior court of the city of Grand Rapids, of burglary, and sentenced for two years and six months from October 9, 1894. Sentence commuted November 23, 1895, to one year and six months.

Worden has quite apparent consumptive tendencies. He is not a confirmed criminal, and, in view of his youth, the condition of his health and the circumstances of his home life it is believed that clemency will be a material incentive to his leading a better life in the future. For these reasons his term of imprisonment is shortened.

STEPHEN KOSMITZKI.

State House of Correction and Reformatory at Ionia. Convicted in the recorder's court for the city of Detroit of malicious injury to property and sentenced for three years from January 31, 1894. Sentence commuted November 27, 1895, so as to expire November 27, 1895.

This boy prior to his conviction had borne a good reputation. His release is recommended by the judge, prosecuting attorney, and the Board of Pardons. In view of the fact that the sentence imposed was excessive under the circumstances and the defendant was led into the commission of the crime by others much older than himself, clemency is extended.

CHARLES SCAMERHORN.

State Prison at Jackson. Convicted in the circuit court for the county of Genesee, of rape, and sentenced for twenty-five years from November 30, 1883. Sentence commuted December 31, 1895, so as to expire January 1, 1896.

His pardon is recommended by the Board of Pardons, after a careful review of the whole circumstances connected with the commission of the offense, and also on the recommendation of the then prosecuting attorney, for the reason that under the law, as it is now, Scamerhorn could not have been convicted of more than taking indecent liberties with a female child, with a punishment not exceeding ten years. He has already served over twelve years' actual time, and, believing that he has been sufficiently punished for the crime committed, his sentence is commuted.

CHARLES W. ALLEN.

State Prison at Jackson. Convicted in the circuit court for the county of Van Buren, of murder in the second degree, and sentenced for twenty-three years from January 28, 1887. Sentence commuted January 11, 1896, to eighteen years.

Sentence was commuted to eighteen years in order that he might have the benefit of the parole law. His conduct in prison has been exemplary.

NORVAL A. HAWKINS.

State Prison at Jackson. Convicted in the recorder's court of the city of Detroit, of embezzlement, and sentenced for three years from October 5, 1895. Sentence commuted December 24, 1896, so as to expire at once.

The punishment this young man has already received has undoubtedly accomplished all that longer confinement would do. There are some mitigating circumstances in the case. His previous record, and his record since incarceration, have been unexceptionally good. The parties injured are in favor of his release. A prominent manufacturer has signified his intention to give him a substantial position in his employ as soon as he is out of prison. His family is an eminently respectable one, and he will have every incentive to live a correct life hereafter. His release is urged by many of the most prominent and influential citizens of Detroit, and is recommended by the Board of Pardons.

EUGENE J. KIRBY.

State Prison at Jackson. Convicted in the circuit court for the county of Calhoun, of forgery, and sentenced for ten years from March 23, 1892. Sentence commuted December 24, 1896, so as to expire at once.

There are many mitigating circumstances in this case. It is believed that further punishment will be of no benefit to him. The injured parties have petitioned for his release, as have also the most prominent citizens of Marshall, where the crime was committed. His previous record was of the best. His prison record has been exemplary. He now has an opportunity for employment, which he might not be able to secure at a later period. It would seem that if he is ever to become a useful citizen now is the time. If he should prove to be a criminal by nature, it will only be demonstrated a little earlier than if he should serve out his sentence. His family is an honorable and respectable one, and it is believed he will have every incentive to lead the life of a useful citizen. For these reasons his sentence is commuted to expire at once.

JOHN T. RICH,
Governor.

MESSAGE OF GOVERNOR PINGREE.

His Excellency, Governor Pingree, then read his message as follows. I desire to urge upon you as the law making power the necessity which exists for the amendment of several laws of the State, for the repeal of others and for the enactment of a few which I deem of vital importance. As representatives and servants of the people let us endeavor to work harmoniously, with no object in view but the public good. Michigan ought to stand in the front rank of progressive states. Her people desire that she should. Just laws will aid her, unjust laws will retard her. Whatever stumbling blocks have heretofore been placed in her pathway should be removed. The labor of removing them will not be an idle pastime. It will require united and persistent effort on our part. It remains to be seen whether we shall be equal to the great work. It is within your power to make the coming session of the legislature an ideal one. This can be done by the enactment of a few

laws which will meet the approval of all patriotic citizens of this State and the commendation of every true member of our great republic.

Primary Elections.

If we would inaugurate reforms in our State government we must commence where the governing power originates, in party organizations and conventions. I would recommend that the political party caucus laws already upon our statute books be so amended as to abolish party conventions. If political corruption exists its origin can here be found. The true theory of party organization is that the best men should be chosen for election to office. This theory cannot be carried out under the present system. The caucuses and conventions have become the means by which the few obtain power and place.

Under a representative form of government the people should have free choice of their representatives. Any obstruction to such free choice should be removed. Syndicates of office seekers are formed, corrupt combinations are made, delegates are bought and sold, promises of position to unworthy men are often of necessity made, and the example is set before us that those who in the ordinary walks of life pass for honorable men enter upon the duties of public office under a cloud of suspicion and shame. The convention has become the medium of trickery, bribery and fraud. The higher criminal is here developed. The direct vote of the ballot holder for party candidates is the simplest means of expressing preference for representatives. If the people make mistakes they alone are to blame. The direct vote and the Australian ballot system is of less cost to the people than the convention system.

It is remarkable that so great has been the power of the few and ambitious that in a nation having a representative form of government and composed of forty-five great states, but two of those states vote direct to put party candidates in nomination, while every Canadian province has the direct vote, and for that reason is so much nearer the ideal republic.

Taxation.

The question which is always present and is never solved in any State or municipal government is the question of taxation, direct and indirect. Taxes are burdens which must be borne. The theory of the republican form of government is that they are borne equally by all owners of property in proportion to their wealth. If this principle does not prevail the government has favorites and therefore it is not republican. All exemptions and variations from this fundamental principle should be upon lines of public policy and for the greatest good of the greatest number.

The cost of government of the State should be lessened by the reduction of the charges of departments and of State institutions, proportioned to proper maintenance and administration, and to the reduced cost of living incident to the general decline of values. I also recommend, in order to the proper distribution of the public burdens, that all forms of wealth bear their just proportion of taxation. The policy of continuing the system of specific taxation of corporations as the sole resource of

the State from such organizations which originated when the State was new and which favored the promoters of needed works for small and scattered communities has long been regarded with disfavor by the people of this State, who contend that the time has arrived when the well known inequalities of taxation should be adjusted and proportioned according to values.

There is nothing new or novel in this recommendation. In 1877, Governor Bagley took occasion in his address to the senate and house of representatives to emphasize the inequalities of specific taxation of corporate property, which he contended should be taxed locally according to its value like other property. In the same year Governor Crosswell recommended improved methods for uniformity in levying taxes. In 1887 Governor Luce recommended the equalization of taxation and in 1891 recommended, for purposes of revenue, a tax on bequests, on corporations and an income tax. In 1891 Governor Winans recommended equalizing taxation as between classes of property paying specific taxes and property under assessment claiming that the assessed property pays double the tax paid by property upon which specific taxes are levied. He favored the local taxation of corporate property and doubted the policy of exempting any property from equal taxation.

It will thus be seen that the contention of the people against the system of solely specific taxation of corporations found expression at the capitol through several of the governors of the State regardless of party and as early as the seventies, and that the recommendations were in favor of taxing the property of the corporations as other property is taxed. The question, therefore, is one no longer for debate but for energetic action since it has been under consideration for twenty years. While I do not believe that the system of specific taxation and the method of its distribution in support of the common schools should be disturbed, I recommend that steps be taken in the form of local or general taxation to make corporations bear their proper share of taxation.

Fixing Railroad Tolls.

The right of the legislature to fix the maximum rate for passenger fares has been exercised ever since the first general enactment as to railroads, in 1855. In 1870 the people of the State amended the constitution expressly conferring upon the legislature the power to fix such maximum rates.

"The legislature may from time to time pass laws establishing reasonable rates of charges for the transportation of passengers and freight on different railroads in the State." Article 19-A Paragraph 1.

In 1873 there was a general revision of the railroad laws and certain rates were fixed. Amendments were made changing rates at various periods up to the final amendment in 1891, and generally speaking there has been a reduction of rates by legislative enactment.

It will thus be seen that any proposed reduction of railroad passenger rates of fare or of freight charges has its precedents in the changes made from time to time in the past history of these corporations. The right of the legislature to fix the maximum rates has been contested by inter-

ested corporations and the supreme court has held that the legislature has the right to fix such rates.

At the present time inequalities of passenger fares exist which should be adjusted by the legislature. Thus, for example, the Chicago & Grand Trunk Railway is confined to a local passenger charge of two cents per mile, while the Michigan Central and Lake Shore roads are permitted to charge a local fare of three cents per mile. It is also commonly known that passengers traveling from station to station in Michigan are charged more by the railroads than passengers who travel through the State from outside points. A passenger arriving at Detroit having paid two cents per mile over the New York Central and subsequently finding it necessary to go to Jackson pays a local fare of three cents per mile on the Michigan Central which is part of the same general line of road owned by the New York Central people.

What is true of discriminations by railroads in favor of through passengers as against local passengers, and of discriminations by the State in favor of one railroad as against another in the matter of maximum passenger rates, is true as to discriminations by railroads in favor of terminals as against local stations in the same State. All of these inequalities of charges are within the power or partly within the power of the legislature of Michigan to correct. And their correction in my firm belief would prove to be for the benefit of the railroad companies as well as for the people of the State. I therefore recommend that the legislature take into consideration the question of passenger fares at two cents per mile for Michigan.

The Referendum.

The referring of important acts of the legislature to a popular vote for final adoption by the people is the extension of the well known principle underlying the practice in this State of referring proposed changes of the constitution, and in certain local cases, matters of extraordinary expenditure involving the issue of bonds, to the vote of the people.

I am not prepared to state how far opinion favorable to the extension of this method of legislation has penetrated the State generally; but I am acquainted with the opinion of the people of the city of Detroit which is favorable to its extension to the granting of street railway and other quasi-public franchises as a check upon corrupt public officials

Trusts and Combinations.

There is growing up in this country a system of trusts and combinations which is becoming more and more impudent and extortionate. Its influence is felt in the home of every citizen. The necessities of life are made instruments of oppression in the hands of those who reap a rich reward from the weak and the helpless. Such trusts and combinations destroy competition and throw thousands of worthy people out of employment. For this reason the consuming power of the people is destroyed and the producing power to just that extent is affected. Such combinations are illegal upon the broad grounds of public policy, but wholesome laws should be enacted against them. I do not propose to suggest the form of the laws nor the penalties for their violation, but

they cannot be too strong. In the presence of a threatened destruction of individualism and the breaking of the spirit of independent effort, it is high time that the makers of the laws should be the people's representatives, whose names are upon the roll of your houses, and not members of a third house who infest the halls of legislation for evil purposes.

It has been rumored that Michigan has been selected as the field for the operation of a company controlling vast amounts of wealth to obtain possession of the mineral resources of the State, and in connection therewith to control the shipping interests of the great lakes. Prices will be reduced at first, of course, but in the end the people will be made to suffer; heretofore the waterways of the State have been instrumental in keeping down freight charges on railroads, but if the shipping interests pass into the control of one gigantic company, it needs but one more step to stop competition between the railways and vessel men.

If upon investigation I find that we are seriously threatened with this danger, I shall in some future message communicate with you upon that subject.

State Control of Corporate Stock and Bond Issues—Property Rights Respected.

We should be extremely jealous of the reputation of our business interests. All investments should be given such guarantee of safety by law as to inspire confidence in those who deal with us. Capital should be encouraged to invest in the development of our varied resources. Investments made within the State should be governed and protected by wise laws and not be disturbed by frequent changes in the laws that govern them. The burden of taxation should be equally distributed, all property bearing its just share. The issuing of stocks and bonds should be so regulated that when the investor seeks for proper security, he will find that the State has guarded him in his investment against the purchase of artificial values by way of watered stocks and bonds. Legislation on this subject need not be untried or experimental; in fact it doubtless would be wise to adopt in some measure the laws of older states if a precedent can there be found. It is in your power to materially aid owners of corporate property in Michigan in disposing of their securities if you will pass such laws as will protect the investor therein, by making the sale of the securities easier and at a lower rate of interest. All legislation of this character should commend itself to sound business discretion.

Under the laws that now exist manufacturing and other corporations are permitted to do business after having paid in 10 per cent of the authorized capital without the residue being subscribed for, and upon this payment of 10 per cent, and upon the strength of the authorized capital, and the fair standing of the men connected with the corporation, and possibly to some extent the fair prospects of the business, large credit has been obtained by the corporation, in some cases many times larger than the actual capital paid in. The practical workings of this law are unsatisfactory to creditors because in many instances the creditor after the corporation has failed to be successful has been found to

be the largest investor in the venture, in order to protect the creditors of corporations of this character, I recommend that you increase the responsibility of the stockholder by making him individually liable for such debts as are incurred beyond the amount of capital actually paid in, at least up to the amount of the authorized capital of the corporation. In other words when a corporation obtains authority to do business with a certain amount of capital, that capital should exist in good faith for the security of the creditor.

In the case of banking corporations, much greater liability of the stockholders exists under the law with very satisfactory results to the creditors of the banks and to the people generally. In this connection it would be well to consider such supervision of corporations by a corporation commissioner, whose duty it shall be to ascertain what the exact available assets of a corporation are before it is permitted to enjoy corporate privileges and enter upon the business for which it is created.

Great care should be used in preventing corporate bodies from coming into existence on values that are artificial. The price for which its first issue of stock shall be sold might safely be fixed by law as an additional safeguard against deception. Accurate and detailed reports of the exact condition of the corporation and the value of its assets should be made at stated periods, and statements made by them in that behalf should be carefully examined and scrutinized by competent authority, and if it is found that, notwithstanding the value placed upon the assets of the corporation by itself, it is as a matter of fact insolvent, it should be prohibited from doing business. In short, I deem it as important that all corporations dealing with the public should be under the supervision of a competent State official as that railways and banks should be under the supervision of the proper officials. In some of the older states this plan has been carried out with great success and without expense to the state by the charge of such a reasonable inspection fee as is not burdensome to the parties paying it, and for which they receive full value by having a statement of their business and assets made by an expert.

Liability of Stockholders.

I am not unmindful that there are some legitimate advantages in organizing partnerships and other enterprises into corporations. The death or withdrawal of a partner sometimes compels the winding up of the affairs of a partnership. This and several other inconveniences are obviated by converting the partnership into a stock corporation.

While partnerships are often thus converted into corporations for legitimate purposes and with honest intentions, it is equally true that this opportunity afforded by the law is seized by the dishonest for the purpose of avoiding individual liabilities for debts contracted in the conduct of their business, and thus cheat their creditors out of their honest dues.

Many worthless corporations are organized, electing for its president a person of well known financial strength, thus giving to this institution a fictitious credit. When the affairs of the concern become involved and creditors seek to get their money, it is found that the aforesaid president has only a few dollars stock in the concern and therefore is only

liable to the creditors for a small amount. The creditors are thus swindled by the use of the rich man's name.

There is an easy remedy for all this—the law should make a distinction between public and quasi-public corporations and those which are strictly private; the latter should, in my judgment, for convenience and distinction, be designated as joint stock companies and all holders of stock in such companies should be liable for the debts of the concern precisely the same as though they were partners.

All the honest advantages of a corporate existence can thus be obtained, while at the same time the public is protected from the swindling operations of those who organize a corporation for dishonest purposes.

I recommend that a law be passed, substantially embodying the views above indicated.

While we should not of necessity select the railway of the State to prove the great inequality of our present distribution of taxes and present burdens, yet I have the figures at hand with reference to these corporations because there has been a supervision of them by the public, and the facts have at least become partially known. I submit the following statement taken from the report of the railway commissioner for 1895, which I am sure will be of interest to you in determining what your duty to the people of the State may be with reference to the question of taxation. The figures are taken from page 56 of the railway commissioner's report for 1895:

The gross earnings of the companies from all sources were..... \$29,307,909 03
Upon which there was collected a total tax of..... 670,520 00
And as I compute it the percentage of taxation on gross earnings is... .022878

I have made a comparative table of earnings, tax and per cent of taxation on earnings for the year, 1894, of the states given in the schedule below:

States.	Earnings.	Taxes.	Per cent.
Michigan	\$20,537,475 71	\$670,136 18	.0228
Massachusetts	30,472,707 00	8,500,102 18	.0886
Iowa	40,000,070 02	1,420,014 85	.035
Wisconsin	28,318,544 09	1,205,000 13	.0457
New York	105,478,688 57	7,365,336 77	.0098
Illinois	77,508,537 00	8,840,378 87	.0406
Minnesota	30,605,524 00	923,864 43	.03008
Missouri	85,256,240 03	1,094,918 19	.0203
Indiana	156,100,405 00	2,250,000 00	.0144
Ohio	60,140,831 56	2,073,777 45	.0344
Connecticut	32,444,318 88	733,538 58	.0226

Page 61 of the Commissioner's Report gives the following total tax for Michigan, under the present system of tax of gross earnings:

1890.	1891.	1892.	1893.	1894.
\$812,009 63	\$854,334 12	\$893,762 01	\$811,050 65	\$676,136 18

Showing that railway companies in Michigan are paying taxes under the gross earnings system in exact proportion to the conditions of their

business, thereby increasing the taxes on all assessable property during the period of decreased earnings.

A like inequality of taxation under our present system applies to telephone, telegraph and express companies. Concerning the latter I call your attention to the fact that while the earnings of these companies are very large the amount of assessable property either real or personal used in their business is very small compared with the earnings.

I submit also herewith a statement obtained from the reports of the Auditor General and of the Railway Commissioner showing the inequality of taxation of railway properties in this State. The items contained in the statement as obtained from the railway commissioner's office are taken from the report not yet published:

The total cost of railway property in the State of Michigan in the year 1895, according to the report of the railway commissioner (not yet in print) was \$316,333,027.90. The railway companies paid during the year in specific taxes \$741,408.77, or a fraction more than two and one-third mills on the dollar.

The total value of real and personal property in the State in the year 1895, as equalized by the boards of supervisors, was \$818,086,160.00, and the taxes levied for the same year for State, local, and all other purposes (as shown below) amounted to \$20,633,571.04, or a fraction less than two and one-half cents on the dollar.

The taxes were as follows:

State tax.....	\$3,010,227 83
County taxes.....	2,791,036 00
School taxes.....	5,491,077 47
Township and city taxes.....	7,174,326 83
Liquor taxes.....	1,879,891 62

From this statement it will appear how unjustly and how unequally the public burdens have been distributed, and what applies to railways in this regard applies with equal force to large amounts of other property in the State. While you may not deem it advisable to dispense entirely with the present system of specific taxation of corporations, which I do not recommend, some steps must be taken by you in the interests of the people in at least adding to that system. From many sources comes the proposition to tax corporate property in the localities where it may be situated, and in the absence of any better method I commend it to your attention. However, after considerable investigation it appears to me that a wiser and better method would be to create a department of taxes and assessments, composed of a board to be appointed by the Governor, and which board should be composed in part of such officials as have the supervision of the corporations against whom taxes are to be assessed. This board to determine the exact value of all corporate property in the State not now taxed locally under the present law and to levy taxes thereon in the same proportion that private property is taxed. If the formation of such board can meet the requirements of law no difficulty should be experienced on the part of the State in compelling the payment of a just tax on the actual value of the property owned by such corporations within the State including the value of the franchise. I look upon the question of taxation in these times as the most vital one with which you have to deal and one with which we must deal justly if the people are to be satisfied with our work.

A careful investigation of the statement herein submitted to you will make it manifest that the people of the State when they have a just and

proper system of taxation can be relieved of the burden of the expense of State government, and be burdened only with local taxes of their own creation.

And I especially recommend to you that in the settlement of the question of taxation you avoid levying taxes in such a manner that by increasing the prices of products or tolls to the consumer the burden of taxation will indirectly remain upon the people.

The Present Tax Law.

I am of the opinion that some radical changes should be made in the present tax law. The taxation of mortgages upon land must be considered double taxation. The owner of the real estate must in all cases pay the tax, not only upon the real estate, but upon the mortgage, for if he who loans the money is required to pay tax upon the mortgage which he holds, he will recuperate from the owner of the property either by requiring him to pay additional interest sufficient to cover the amount of the mortgage or by compelling him to execute a mortgage which contains a clause requiring him to pay the tax upon the mortgage direct. The effect of the present law is to prevent residents of the State from loaning money directly, and to avoid the payment of tax, frauds are permitted, and the mortgage is taken in the name of a non-resident against whom the collection of the tax cannot be enforced. It would be far better to permit the borrower to have the advantage of a lower rate of interest than to allow the lender to exact a higher rate upon the plea that a portion of the interest received must be used for the payment of the tax.

I am also of the opinion that a radical change should be made in the present law by which tax titles are acquired. While every facility should be afforded for the collection of taxes, yet it should not be possible for one individual to confiscate the property of another. Whatever rights are required by reason of the non-payment of taxes should be acquired by the State. Whatever penalties are added for the non-payment of tax should inure to the State. The present law which prohibits the recording of deeds of transfer without the payment of taxes due at the time the transfer is made has facilitated the collection of taxes. This law, however, should be amended so as to require the payment of all back taxes and not merely those that stand against the property for five years preceding the transfer.

I would also recommend the adoption of a general enabling act, if such can legally be done, by which all property in the State which has been sold for taxes either to the State or to the individual can be redeemed by the original owner, or by his heirs or assigns, at any time within five years from the passage of such an act upon the payment of the original tax and costs and 6 per cent interest to the date of redemption. In times like the present such an act would meet the approval of all broad-minded citizens and only a few who desire to reap large rewards from the misfortunes of their fellow citizens would raise a voice in its condemnation.

Taxes Upon Timber Lands.

The State has suffered great losses in the past by reason of the failure to collect taxes due upon timber lands. The principal object of the own-

ers has been to strip the lands of valuable timber and refuse to pay taxes during the time the stripping process has gone on. When it is known that this evasion of the tax law has been and is now practiced to an alarming extent by many wealthy people, both residents and non-residents, something should be done at once to prevent it. To this end I would recommend the passage of a law prohibiting the cutting and removal of timber from lands upon which taxes are due and unpaid. Such an act could be enforced by delegating special authority to trespass agents or others acting under the control of the State Land Commissioner.

State Institutions.

The educational, charitable, reformatory and penal institutions of the State should all command your earnest attention, and be subjected to such inspection as will enable you to provide intelligently for their needs. Economy in their management should always be practiced, but the necessity for reducing the cost of maintenance, if possible, was never more keenly felt than at the present time. The number of officers and employes on the pay rolls should not exceed actual need for safe and efficient service, and high or extravagant salaries ought in no case to be paid. False economy and retrenchment generally result in loss and poor service, and therefore should be avoided. In my judgment some reforms in the matter of buying supplies for the institutions might save to the State many thousands of dollars annually, but until such time as I shall be able to investigate the subject more fully, recommendation in this matter will be deferred. In making appropriations for current and other expenses of the institutions it is hoped the legislature will not be less mindful of the conditions that render appropriations necessary than of the strain that every additional dollar appropriated puts on the resources of the tax payer.

I am very strongly of the opinion that supplies for the various institutions should be bought of Michigan producers. Considerable sums of money are annually expended for beef and other supplies that come to our institutions from other states, while the farmers of our own State, who are taxed for the support of the institutions, are compelled to go away from home to find a market for their cattle and produce. I am sure you will agree with me that this is wrong, and if legislation is necessary to prevent it, you may be depended on to supply it.

The University.

Permit me to direct your special attention to the University. This great institution should under no circumstances be crippled. Its reputation as one of the great American universities should be sustained. It has been endowed by the people and has been maintained by them with a spirit of pride and often at a great sacrifice. Its teachers should be equal to any in the world and they should be men of independent thought, ready and willing to meet all great questions of modern civilization and advancement with an intelligent and enlightened public spirit. They should be qualified to aid in the preparation of wise measures of government and be willing at all times to give counsel upon political,

social and economic questions. They should be so highly respected and so well compensated that it would not be profitable, as soon as they become efficient to be called away to give instruction to some great institutions which have been endowed by monopolists, who have acquired tens of millions of dollars at the expense of tens of thousands of their fellow men.

While it may not be possible at this time to greatly extend your support to this great institution, let no step be taken by you looking to its humiliation.

The Lobbyist.

I cannot refrain from expressing my views upon the subject of the professional lobbyist. At every session of the legislature just measures are killed by the enemies of good government and equal rights and the means used to compass their death are the paid lobbyists who infest our halls. If the members of the legislature are not intelligent enough to give independent thought and action to great public measures without the aid of those who wine and dine and cajole and flatter and bribe, at least some steps should be taken to modify the nuisance.

I do not propose to formulate rules for the government and control of those whose business it is to obstruct legislation. All attorneys who practice before courts and juries must be admitted as members of the bar and are required to pay certain fees and observe certain rules. If the lobbyist, like the poor, must be always with us to aid in thinking and assist us in acting and furnishing us food and drink, there should be some method of enrollment and a fee demanded as a condition precedent to the right to practice before the people's legislative jury.

It has come to my knowledge that some of these professionals have secured large retainers from individuals and corporations who are interested in obstructing honest legislation, and I trust a roll will be made of all such in order that their particular purpose may be clearly known and understood.

It unfortunately happens that in the past at least a few of the members of both houses have occupied the dual capacity of legislators and lobbyists, being paid by the people a small salary to serve in the former capacity and being hired by the people's enemies at high salaries to serve in the other capacity. It has not been necessary for these to be enrolled as their real employers are generally discovered early in the session of the legislature. I trust that there are no such public servants in the present legislature and that such evil work will not be felt or recognized.

Public Franchises.

The question of granting public franchises by the State and by municipal authorities, and the conditions under which they should be granted and operated is one of the greatest problems with which we have to deal. A public franchise, when it has passed beyond State or municipal control, may become a power greater than the sovereign or municipal power. It may become an engine of oppression and corruption. The moment a

franchise is granted the whole people surrender to a few of their number the right to exercise a public function, and the question which should be considered is what proportion of that right should be reserved to the people themselves in the way of regulation and control.

In order to suggest a remedy for an evil or abuse it is first necessary to know what the evil is. To cure a disease the physician must be able to call it by name. What are the evils which have grown up under the present system of public franchises in this State and in all the other states of the union? A few of them only need be mentioned.

Combinations and consolidations by franchise owners in cities are going on all over the United States. These combinations and consolidations are for the purpose of keeping up tolls. The amount of wealth that is being accumulated in the hands of a few by these favored holders of special privileges is appalling. These tolls are indirect taxes, and to the extent that the right to regulate the tolls is abandoned by the sovereign or the local power to the franchise owner, to that extent the right to levy taxes is given away. The State or the municipality appoints an agent for a period of thirty years, more than the life of a generation, and before the term has half expired the agent becomes the master and the master becomes the slave.

Permit me to give an example of the abandonment of such power: A license is given to a company of three men to operate a street railway in a city of 60,000 people and they are permitted to charge five cents per passenger for a period of thirty years. At the time the license was granted the cost of carrying a passenger was four cents and the profit was therefore but 20 per cent upon the money actually invested. In ten years the population has increased to 120,000 and the cost of carrying the passenger is three cents and the profit is 40 per cent. Rather more than the profit of most merchants and manufacturers and farmers. If the original grant of the license, for that is all the franchise is, had reserved the right to regulate fares, and the municipality had been able to keep the profit down to 20 per cent, even the most radical advocate of vested rights could not complain that the corporation was being oppressed.

It should be very clear then that the right to regulate fares should always be reserved. But the reservation of this right is not all that is necessary. Permit me to give another illustration. The amount actually invested in a plant is one million dollars. After the road is completed it is mortgaged and bonded for two million. This could only be done by executing a mortgage upon the license itself. In other words the three men who formed the company and their associates advanced a million dollars and immediately thereafter placed a mortgage upon the industry and earnings of every inhabitant of the city for thirty years to come to the amount of two millions, and then when the question of regulating the fares is brought up the municipal authorities are met with the bland statement that the original owners have transferred their vested rights to innocent purchasers and in order to pay the bonus of a million dollars, and the interest upon it for thirty years, the company cannot live if the fare is reduced.

This system of indirect taxation is going on in every city in the United States; and hundreds of millions of dollars of fictitious values, which

must represent some form of human labor, have been created for a few by the simple stroke of the pen, and in order to pay these immense sums tribute is laid upon every man, woman and child in the country. It simply means that these hundreds of millions of dollars are to be taken from the ordinary channels of legitimate trade to the injury of every mercantile and manufacturing and farming industry in the land, for no one interest can suffer without a corresponding injury to all. Is it not strange that in the presence of this insidious, but constant process of concentration, learned financiers, wise statesmen and profound political scholars wonder why the few become rich and the many become poor?

In order to prevent such accumulations a law should be passed which will prevent the execution of a mortgage upon the license. I would suggest the following amendments to the laws permitting the granting of franchises to public corporations such as street cars, electric light, telephone and gas companies.

1. Reserve the right to fix rates of tolls or charges.
2. Let the construction of the plant of every such corporation be under the supervision of the municipality, so that the actual cost shall be known.
3. Provide that no mortgage shall be executed and no bonds issued to a greater amount than one-half of the actual cost of the plant.
4. Require the corporation each year to file a sworn statement of its receipts and expenditures, certified by a public accountant who shall have access to its books.
5. Provide that there shall be no consolidation of one company with another and that no individual stockholder of one company shall own, either directly or indirectly, any stock in another company operating in the same city.
6. Provide that no franchise or license now existing or to be granted in the future shall be renewed or extended beyond the terms of the original grant during the life of the original grant.
7. Provide that no franchise of the character above enumerated shall be granted by any municipal authority without being submitted to a vote of the people.

I appreciate the fact that the passage of such a law, by which the people can be protected from extortion and fraud, will be opposed by every friend of special privileges, not only in this State, but that they will be reinforced by agents from other states who represent like interests. I cannot emphasize in too great a degree the necessity for some action in the line here indicated. Unless some such course is pursued it will be necessary to provide for State or municipal ownership of street car lines, telephones and other means of transportation and transmission, and I believe that such a plan should only be adopted as a last resort; for in my opinion it would be a blow struck at individual enterprise and exertion, and when these are lost the virility of a nation will be destroyed.

In this connection I desire to call attention to the question of fraud and corruption in securing public franchises and in the awarding of public contracts. It has always been a principle of law that fraud vitiates all contracts, and yet it has been held that the right to operate a public franchise is such a divine right that fraud cannot affect it. This matter has been often referred to in connection with the case of Jake Sharp and

the Broadway street car franchise. Briber and bribed were sent to prison, but the fruit of their corruption was held by the courts to be too sacred to be touched. Before the courts of Michigan give their sanction to such a code of morals I would suggest that a law be passed making all public contracts, like private contracts, absolutely void for fraud or corruption. The manner of raising the question of fraud and the time within which and by whom it can be taken advantage of must be wisely considered by you.

Telephones.

Great interest within the past year has been manifested in the construction of telephone plants. Previous to that time the Bell Company has had the absolute monopoly. The rates charged have been extortionate. It has been argued by some that the telephone business is a natural monopoly. There is no such thing as a natural monopoly in telephone any more than in railroad or telegraph service. In addition to what I have already said under the head of public franchises I make the following suggestions as to telephones:

1. The law should permit the fixing of telephone rates by the local authorities in each municipality or town.

2. All companies should be required to charge the same price for the same service and no one should be permitted to give free service upon any consideration. A company which for years has charged double rates could for a number of years give free service, and the result might be to wreck a younger company, destroy capital and enterprise and leave the community in the hands of the old monopoly.

3. All telephone companies in a city should be compelled to exchange telephone service, upon terms to be fixed by the municipal authorities. The present law contains a provision looking to that end, but I am satisfied that it is too indefinite to be made available.

4. The law against consolidation of telephone companies should be made so positive and emphatic and contain such penalties and forfeitures that it would be impossible to evade it.

It has come to my knowledge that certain railroad corporations of this State have made contracts with the Bell Telephone Company by which, for certain reduction of rates and mutual concessions, an agreement has been made whereby the railroad company has agreed to prohibit opposition telephone companies from placing telephones in the stations and offices of said railroads. While such a contract is of course absolutely void, not only as against public policy, but as against the present telephone law, which provides against discriminations, yet it will avoid litigation if you pass an act which will forever prevent the execution or carrying out of such contracts. For two public servants to combine to defraud their master, the people, cannot be for one moment tolerated.

Prisons.

The treatment of criminals is one of the vexed questions of the age. Criminals are of two classes, corrigible and incorrigible. These should be kept separate in all jails, prisons and reformatory institutions. The

original purpose of the establishment of the prison at Ionia was to provide a place for those who were not deemed to be hardened criminals. I fear that this purpose has not always been kept in view. I recommend that some discretion be lodged in the prison boards for transferring from Ionia prison those who have been found to be incorrigible, and also for transferring from prisons to Ionia such inmates as may be deemed to be corrigible. There can be no greater nursery for crime than a prison which permits the association of the vicious with those who are merely unfortunate.

The care of criminals is another question which becomes every year a subject for more serious and thoughtful consideration. The employment of machinery and the manufacture of articles which compete with the products of our great industries is in my opinion fundamentally and radically wrong. Hundreds of great prisons in the United States have become immense manufacturing establishments. Will it not be proper to make an effort to secure a change from the present system? I cannot outline at length a plan for such change, but would respectfully offer a few suggestions as a basis for legislation.

Would it not be well to investigate the question of utilizing and enlarging the present system of prison farms to the greatest possible extent for the production of such articles of food as may be necessary to feed prisoners? Beyond this it might be well to inaugurate the system of raising such vegetables as beets for the manufacture of beet sugar or other food plants which will not come into competition with the farming interests of the State. Before embarking upon the general system in this direction, however, I would recommend the adoption of such a system in connection with but one of the prisons of the State in order to test its practical workings. If hand labor only were employed both upon the farms and within the walls, it seems to me that the prisoners could be kept at work and could produce enough for their own support without creating a surplus and thus crowding the market with prison made goods.

The sale of prison made goods in competition with the products of free labor has a tendency to reduce prices for such goods and hence reduce wages. The mingling of prison made goods with others enables those handling the same to cut the prices below a fair profit, and in order to obviate this I am of the opinion that all prison made goods should be labeled and no label should be removed until the final purchase from the retailer. Such a law is in force in the state of New York, and I have been informed with good results.

In order to make prison farms secure, temporary stockades might be erected, but they should be replaced by permanent stone or brick walls which can be built by the convicts, thus utilizing their labor to the fullest extent, even to the manufacture of the brick themselves. No argument is necessary to emphasize the necessity of work for prisoners, both as an aid to their physical and moral training. At the present time there is a large number of convicts lying idle in two of the Michigan prisons.

Insurance.

Another matter that may well deserve your attention is that of fire insurance as conducted in this State. It is well known that by a combination of nearly all stock companies doing business in Michigan the State is divided into five districts; in each district is a supervisor who fixes absolutely the rates of insurance for all risks in his district. When an application is made to any of these companies for insurance the rate must first be sent to and approved by the supervisor of the district in which the risk is located for its approval by the company. All insurance must go through this agent of the combination. No more open evidence exists of a trust in this State than is to be found in this common necessity to our people.

It is also stated upon authority that rates of insurance in Michigan are higher on like hazards than in many of the eastern states. In several instances "non-board companies" have entered the field offering lower and profitable rates of insurance, but wherever such offers have been made, the common weapons of monopolies and trusts have been drawn and agents of the "board companies" have been authorized to meet such rates until the "non-board companies" have been driven from the field or have been forced to enter the combination when rates have again been raised to the high level. By these methods rates of insurance no longer become a matter of contract between the insurer and the insured, but an assessment without voice and without escape on the part of the person applying for insurance.

I believe you can find some way by which the field of insurance may be open to fair competition and without injustice being done to the companies. It is also suggested that the form of policy in use and authorized by the statutes of this State be examined with a view to making the same more liberal for the insured.

Coal and Other State Resources.

I find that but few of the State institutions are supplied with Michigan coal. As the State is interested in the development of these mines I would suggest the propriety of the more extended use of this fuel by these institutions, all things being equal.

All of the elements required for making Michigan one of the foremost manufacturing states of the world are present in the State on every hand, inexpensive transport inclusive. Coal is plentiful; and water power, without naming the force reserved in the rapids of the Sault Ste. Marie river, is unsurpassed. The vast resources of Michigan may be best illustrated by citing the fact that less than fifty years ago there were but three millionaires in the United States and by contrasting this with the more startling fact that Michigan mines have been making at least one millionaire a year for the cities of the east besides sustaining in large part as great a fleet for other states as that passing through the Suez Canal. This compared with what Michigan has received as her share is as the bounty of nature to the crust of charity. You are here to legislate for Michigan, and I desire to freely express the opinion that were these conditions mastered there would be much less need for the maintenance of

charitable institutions by the State, and much less valid complaint of excessive taxation.

Good Roads.

The success of the agitation for good roads depends entirely upon a more equitable system of taxation. It is plainly apparent that one class of our citizens, the farmers, is bearing a greater share of the taxation of the State proportioned to values than another class, the organizations receiving corporate privileges from the State government. So long as this inequality exists just so long will the farming communities have manifestly just cause to oppose appropriations from which at the best they can draw no more benefit than to the rest of the people of the State, and from which, as a matter of fact, they draw less. Good wagon roads are a direct benefit to villages and cities and to transportation companies. Each should pay a proportionate share of such benefit. Under the prevailing method of taxation whatever of benefit is derived by producers is in brief time absorbed by the classes privileged by the legislature to levy indirect taxation in the form of rates of toll; largely those levied for transportation. There is no kind or class of taxes levied in the State of Michigan from which the incorporated bodies do not derive greater benefit than do the unincorporated and it is because they pay less for such benefits.

Incorporated bodies walk into the capitol of this State and almost openly pay for the privilege of escaping taxation in whole or in part. While there is escape in this way for special interests there is no escape for the ordinary or small tax payer, as there can be no property omitted from the tax roll; as there can be no burden thrown off in whole or in part by any person or corporation, that is not shifted to the shoulders of his neighbor. It is false economy that in the end works as disastrously for those who are for the time being relieved as for the overburdened.

There is absolutely no question as to the necessity of good roads for Michigan; but the State, rendered poor by unequal direct taxation and exorbitant indirect taxation, cannot afford at the present time to enter into the great work of constructing public roads at an outlay that will assure substantial highways which will endure for some time to come. The State government must first satisfy the people with a measure of equal taxation before the question of good roads can be entered upon; indeed before any measure involving an appropriation of public money is seriously approached. We have before us the lesson of the spectacle of the administration immediately preceding the present, consciously or unconsciously in aid of those who successfully shift taxation from their own to the shoulders of others, cutting away from the appropriation for the chief educational institution of the State. And this in obedience to the wishes of the largest body of taxpayers in the State who in their distress, and perhaps aware of the possible hopelessness of enforcing equal taxation were willing to sacrifice along the lines of education to retain the proper support of the home.

I would therefore urge upon the legislature, if the institutions of the State are to be maintained at all; if the proper work of the State is not to be abandoned; if all classes of citizens are to be treated alike before

the law, that the question of equal taxation be seriously taken up and treated with impartiality.

Certain School Districts.

Since the repeal of the law existing prior to 1893 it has become impossible for some of the school districts in northern Michigan to fill the required number of school months and meet the expenses. They are situated in former lumbering townships; but the pine being taken off, payment of taxes on stump lands is refused. No relief is anticipated from delinquent taxes. It is suggested by officers of school districts that section 52 of act 206, laws of 1893, be amended so as to authorize township treasurers to retain out of moneys collected for the townships the whole amount of school taxes voted by the school districts. It is possible that some form of relief is needed and should be extended and I commend the subject to your attention.

Arbitration.

In the experience of the State of Michigan, if not in that of the United States, it is found that the military arm is called into requisition to suppress riots, chiefly on account of disagreements between corporations and their employes. Recourse to the military should be the final extreme resort. It is the duty of corporations to live at peace with their neighbors. And employes have a like duty to perform. Neither has any rights superior to the other in the eyes of the people. It is the duty of the State to preserve the peace and defend the rights of all. But it is also the duty of the State to prevent that which tends to disturb the peace or which infringes such rights and to that end laws have been passed and courts have been instituted. To further promote that end, I would recommend that no body of men be allowed the privilege of incorporation without their free consent, expressed in the articles of incorporation, as in part consideration for such privilege, that all disputes found impossible of adjustment between employer and employe, shall be referred to arbitrators, in accordance with the latest platform declaration of the Republicans of Michigan, that of the State convention for 1896, held at Grand Rapids.

Statistics Relating to Corporations.

The value of statistics to the State relating to corporations is incalculable. But they are valueless if they do not extend far enough to afford the legislature absolutely safe material from which to gather the correct deductions, upon which the regulation of corporations is based.

The day of absolute reliance upon competition, especially between transportation lines, is passed and the day of the trust and the combine is here and the legislature must stand between the rights of the people of the State and the encroachments of the trusts and combines. To hide successfully is to swindle successfully. The people are entitled to all of the facts in relation to the creations of their representatives and all of the facts relating thereto should be gathered by the State and placed

in the hands of each and every elector of the State free of technicalities. Information is education and private publications like private schools have private purposes. If it is the duty of the State to educate children it is likewise the duty of the State to inform the people. If, for an example of the importance of such statistics, it is required to know today the earnings capacity of any given railroad in Michigan upon which to base a maximum rate of fare it cannot be obtained from the public reports of the State, surprising as it is, because the number of passengers other than employes, hauled on passes is not shown in such reports. Yet passes are being regularly written by railroad attorneys for United States senators, United States representatives, and for other public servants whose good will is valuable to the roads. Certain classes of shippers, as also certain classes of so-called influential people, inclusive of certain newspaper publishers, obtain passes. So, too, the public statistics do not show the amount of money expended by railroads for maintenance of lobbyists at this capitol.

Actual earnings of roads do not show their earnings capacity by any means; and passes and the money maintenance of lobbyists are not all the lacking figures of the problem, the solution of which would show conclusively that bad management growing out of the exploitation of watered stocks and bonds, is ruining the railroads and checking the development of the earnings capacity of the State of Michigan. Actual value of roads and rolling stock and actual cost of operation are not clearly known and set forth.

As for freight rates they are at the option of the companies either to raise to exorbitant figures for occasions of speculation in the stock market or to reduce to figures intended to ruin a competitor or favor the monopolistic designs of a shipper, and the ordinary statistician must fail in following the changes.

Coercion of Electors.

As a guard against coercion of voters; a provision for the safeguard of the ballot; an additional assurance of the independence of the voter and the purity of elections, I would recommend that a penalty be provided by an act of the legislature severe enough to prevent corporations of a public character exerting undue influence in elections.

Fish Propagation.

The importance of the work of the fish commissioners cannot be overestimated. The introduction of brook trout into the streams of the lower peninsula, where none were found before, demonstrates the possibilities of fish culture.

The labors of the commission have been directed to the question of the productiveness of our great commercial fisheries. The great lakes have ever been great storehouses from which have been drawn annually an important revenue to the State, and have produced a substantial portion of our food supply.

Our people have never appreciated the importance of these fisheries. Under proper regulations, and with little care and attention, a given

area of water may produce as great a quantity of food as an equal area of land.

The food upon which young fish live and thrive is ever present and ready for their wants. It is there without man's intervention or aid. With proper methods instituted as to the planting of fish and the control of the fisheries, the waters of the great lakes lying within our borders can be made a source of great revenue, and any investment made in stocking these waters with young fish will return a thousand fold increase.

The indifference hitherto manifested regarding these fisheries has been because of lack of knowledge of what might be derived from them with an exercise of proper care. The State should, each year, place in these waters the greatest number of young fish they can possibly hatch, and to this end additional hatcheries should be established to carry on this work whenever required, and at as early a date as possible.

The commercial fisheries have been subject to abuses for years by the methods of fishing. The fishermen by long use have come to look upon the fisheries of the State as their own personal property, from which they may take each year, without regard for the future, all fish that come to their nets. As the larger fish begin to diminish in numbers the meshes of the nets were found to be too large, and profits began to decline. Then began gradual contraction of the meshes of the nets, until today more than one-third of the catch of white fish in the great lakes is of ten inches and under in length, and of salmon trout weighing less than two pounds, this length and size being the maximum for number two fish.

Large quantities of fish are taken which are graded as standard No. 3 white fish, of which the maximum requirement is three-quarters of a pound, and standard No. 2 trout, of two pounds. The havoc thus created can well be imagined, and the fishermen, themselves, admit, that unless vigorous steps are taken to prevent this wicked waste, a speedy termination must come to the fisheries. Thousands of pounds of commercial fish are taken from the lakes, each year, that have never arrived at a spawning age.

The State has a coast line of about two thousand miles upon the great lake system and the statistics show that the nets used for fishing, placed end to end, would measure 3,036 statute miles. The fish are not protected by laws such as have been passed for the protection of the birds of flight, the quadrupeds, like the deer, or the game fish, whose seasons of reproducing have been surrounded by the most ample safeguards. The fish of the great lake are pursued by the fishermen practically through the entire year.

The result is the destruction of the adult fish for spawning, the taking of millions of young fish, that have been spawned naturally, and of those artificially propagated. It can be readily seen that there must be but one result from this great inroad on the supply and that the efforts that the State is making to maintain the fisheries is rendered useless.

The first and substantial benefits derived from our fisheries are gathered by the fishermen themselves. Whatever benefits the fishermen may enjoy from the prosecution of their industry, they enjoy as a privilege and not as a right. The fisheries belong to the people, and it

is their right that they should be maintained, not only for the present, but for the future. The State has appropriated freely of its means to establish hatcheries and render the fisheries fruitful.

The fishermen have been the immediate beneficiaries of the bounty of the State; and in many instances non-residents, while they have enjoyed the benefits, have shared none of the responsibilities in the way of taxation.

The product of the commercial fisheries, even in their depleted condition, amounts annually to more than a million dollars, at the lowest wholesale price of not more than three cents per pound.

With the passage of just laws protecting the fisheries, preventing the capture of young and immature fish, and protecting the spawning fish upon their beds, and their stringent enforcement, the result in the next five years would be an increase in the value of the product of, at least, one-third, and if continued for ten years would treble or quadruple this amount. As a business proposition solely, this matter should appeal with the greatest force to the legislature.

The dominion of Canada, which has by far the greatest extent of territory opposed to our own upon the great lakes, several years ago adopted regulations governing her fisheries, and their adoption and enforcement have resulted to their advantage.

They have imposed a license on the boats and nets of the commercial fisherman; they have made regulations to control the number and length of nets that each individual fisherman may have; they have made restrictions as to the setting of nets at certain distances from the shores and in channels, and they fixed the month of November as a close season to allow the fish a free opportunity to spawn.

It must appeal to the common understanding that if we are to preserve our fisheries, immediate steps must be taken to secure proper regulation and enforcement.

I therefore recommend that the legislature, at its coming session, pass such laws as may be needed to increase the productiveness of the fisheries and maintain their benefits for future generations. An act should be passed enlarging the meshes of the nets and imposing a severe penalty for the taking of small fish; a close season should be made to protect the spawning fish, and a license to be laid on the boats and nets similar to the one now in force in Canada, and income derived from such licenses must not only maintain the fish commission in their work of artificial propagation as at present established, and its enlargement in the future to its fullest possibilities, but at the same time provide a substantial revenue for the State.

Banking Department.

While I believe that most of our State banks are well managed and in good condition, still the lessons taught by the failures during the past two years should not be unheeded or forgotten and I feel that I cannot too strongly urge attention to this subject.

From the report of the commissioner on banking, it appears that there are now upwards of 170 State banks and three trust companies in existence in our State with a liability to depositors of \$95,000,000.

This is three times the number shown by the first annual report and over twice the liability to depositors.

The severe strain of the past three years has increased the burden and responsibilities of those charged with the administration of banks and has developed some weak points in our banking laws. During the period mentioned a number of banks have failed. In the city of Lansing alone three State banks failed, swallowing up nearly \$1,000,000 of depositors' money. The cause of these, and in fact nearly all bank failures, may be distinctly traced to the excessive loans made to the officers of those banks and to the various business concerns in which these officers were interested. It is hardly necessary to add that most of these loans were made in violation of the law or by evading it.

It seems to be a fact that too few bank directors understand banking and most of them find it easier, at least when times are good, to leave the management of the bank with its cashier or some other one officer. Something certainly should be done that will make bank directors more familiar with the affairs of the bank and thus prevent mismanagement for which they are morally, and should be legally, responsible.

The quarterly reports, which are now required to be made to the commissioner, should be verified by the oath of all those who are required to sign the report and the oath should contain a statement that they have personally examined the books and assets of the bank and that from such examination they personally know that the statement signed by them is true in substance and in fact.

It should be made obligatory upon each bank to require from its cashier or treasurer such a bond as shall be approved by the banking commissioner.

Whenever a cashier or treasurer shall, without authority shown upon the records of the bank, discount or cash any negotiable paper or security of any kind, it should be regarded and treated as an unlawful use of the money in the bank and appropriately punished.

A full and complete record of the actions of the board of directors relative to loans and discounts should be kept, which record should be signed by all those present.

There is altogether too much red tape in the manner of getting a receiver under the present law. The commissioner has not sufficient power to enforce the law and protect the depositors. Whenever he finds a bank insolvent or violating the law, he must report to the Attorney General and the latter may, if he feels so disposed, apply to the courts to appoint a receiver.

The banking commissioner should be given power to close a bank at once whenever it is insolvent. And in general, I believe he should be given the same power over the State banks that is given the controller of the currency over the national banks.

Every safeguard possible should be placed around the banking business of our State. Without banks, about whose safety there can be no question, we cannot carry on business.

Each mercantile and manufacturing concern should feel that its best and safest friend is the bank in which it makes its deposits and from which it must necessarily be a constant borrower.

In this country where sudden fortunes are often made by some fortunate speculative enterprise, the temptation to make unsafe and illegit-

imate investments with depositors' money is often too great to be overcome.

Severe punishment should be meted out to those officers and managers of banks who are thus led to betray their trusts.

Business prosperity depends upon sound banking. Without it we must always expect to pay a higher rate of interest than our business will warrant.

What I have said relative to banks applies with equal force to building and loan associations.

The cost of maintaining the banking department with such additional power may be somewhat increased, but, whatever it is, it should be paid by the banks so that the burden of ascertaining whether or not they have safe places in which to deposit their money shall not fall upon the people.

Savings banks, pure and simple, with no capital stock—the depositors standing in the relation of shareholders to the extent of their deposits, and profit-sharers pro rata—are not obliged to earn money for shareholders and depositors too. They are enabled to make very conservative investments. As there is no incentive to make great profits such institutions are obviously in the interest of depositors, to whom a reasonable dividend can be paid. I recommend that our general banking laws be amended to admit of such societies for savings in Michigan.

Inheritance and Income Taxes.

I am in favor of an inheritance tax and an income tax. I earnestly hope you may see your way clear to provide for them.

A Point in State Finances.

Without reflecting upon any previous administration I feel it my duty, here, to call your attention, and that of the people of the State of Michigan, to a deficiency which exists, and which I am informed has existed for some time, in the State finances. This has necessitated the borrowing of considerable sums of money as high sometimes as half a million dollars without authority of law, in order to bridge over emergencies, when there was no funds in the State treasury. This condition should not be continued but should be met openly and manfully and provided for in an intelligent and businesslike manner. It is not so necessary to ascertain where the responsibility for this deficiency exists, as it is to provide for the existing condition without subterfuge.

Short Legislative Sessions.

I would respectfully call your attention to the provision of the constitution requiring sessions of the legislature to be held biennially.

This and the granting of special municipal charters are the two great obstacles in the way of short sessions of the legislature.

I recommend that an amendment to the constitution requiring annual sessions of the legislature of not over sixty days each to be submitted to the people. I also suggest the advisability of your honorable body taking a recess for one year after a session of sixty days.

I further recommend that general incorporation laws for all cities and villages be adopted.

Child Labor.

More stringent laws should be passed to prevent the employment of children in many lines of work. Such employment is another of the results of the concentration of capital in trusts and monopolies, combination stores, consolidation of companies operating public franchises and the employment of prison labor. The result of such combinations and consolidations is to destroy competition and this necessitates the employment of children and women to do the work that ought to be performed by able-bodied men with families out of employment and to compel them to be a burden upon the public. The greed and avarice of those who thirst for wealth and power is so great that the weak and the helpless are forgotten and those who have felt interested enough in the uplifting of their fellow beings to consider these questions seriously must unite in combatting the evils to which I have referred. The people have no hope except in their representatives in legislatures and in congress and I trust you will do your whole duty or at least inaugurate a system of reform which will redound to your credit and honor.

Yours respectfully,

HAZEN S. PINGREE,

Governor.

At the close of the reading of the message the outgoing and incoming governors, justices of the supreme court and the State officers retired.

On motion of Senator Thompson,

The joint convention adjourned.

The Senators having retired,

The Speaker announced that the Senate and House had met in joint convention and had listened to the messages of the outgoing and incoming governors.

Mr. Sawyer offered the following:

Resolved, That Rule 41 be amended so as to read as follows:

Rule 41—The following standing committees shall consist of nine members each: Committees on Ways and Means, Judiciary, Railroads, Enrollment, Liquor Traffic, Private Corporations, State Affairs and General Taxation; that the committee on Apportionment shall consist of thirteen members; all other committees shall consist of five members each, and shall be appointed at the commencement of the session. The standing committees of the House shall be as follows:

1. Agricultural College.
2. Agriculture.
3. Apportionment.
4. Asylum for Criminal Insane.
5. City Corporations.
6. Drainage.

7. Eastern Asylum for Insane.
8. Education.
9. Elections.
10. Enrollment.
11. Federal Relations.
12. Fisheries and Game.
13. General Taxation.
14. Geological Survey.
15. Home for Feeble Minded.
16. Horticulture.
17. Industrial School for Boys.
18. Industrial Home for Girls.
19. Institution for the Deaf and Dumb.
20. Insurance.
21. Judiciary.
22. Labor.
23. Liquor Traffic.
24. Local Taxation.
25. Lumber and Salt.
26. Michigan Asylum for Insane.
27. Military Affairs.
28. Mines and Minerals.
29. Normal School.
30. Northern Asylum for Insane.
31. Printing.
32. Private Corporations.
33. Public Health.
34. Public Lands.
35. Railroads.
36. Religious and Benevolent Societies.
37. Roads and Bridges.
38. Rules and Joint Rules.
39. School for the Blind.
40. School of Mines.
41. Soldiers' Home.
42. State Affairs.
43. State Capitol and Public Buildings.
44. State House of Correction.
45. State Library.
46. State Prison.
47. State Public School.
48. Supplies and Expenditures.
49. Towns and Counties.
50. University.
51. Upper Peninsula Asylum for Insane.
52. Upper Peninsula Prison.
53. Village Corporations.
54. Ways and Means.

The question being on agreeing to the proposed amendment to Rule 41,

The same was agreed to, two-thirds of the members-elect voting therefor.

Mr. Gillam offered the following:

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That when the two houses ajourn today they stand adjourned until 2 o'clock p. m. on Tuesday next;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Lusk moved that a committee of five be appointed who shall take into consideration the messages of the outgoing and incoming governors and the address of the Speaker on assuming the chair, and apportion the several portions thereof for consideration by the standing committees of the House;

Which motion prevailed.

The Speaker announced as such committee Messrs. Lusk, Atkinson, Lee, Billings and Powers.

Mr. Fuller moved that there be printed 2,500 copies of the messages of the outgoing and incoming governors, in pamphlet form, for distribution by the members of the House;

Mr. Kelly moved that the motion do lie upon the table;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Eikhoff moved that a committee of three be appointed who shall consider and report on the advisability of printing the messages of the outgoing and incoming governors;

Which motion prevailed.

The Speaker announced as such committee Messrs. Eikhoff, Kelly and Donovan.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 7, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved (the Senate concurring), that when the two Houses adjourn today stand adjourned until 2 o'clock p. m. on Tuesday next.

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The message was laid on the table.

Mr. Edgar moved that the House adjourn,

Which motion prevailed,

And the Speaker declared the House adjourned until Tuesday next at 2 o'clock p. m.

Lansing, Tuesday, January 12, 1897.

The House met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Swift.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. Atkinson, Clute, Davis, Eikhoff, Marsilje, C. C. Phillips, M. F. Phillips, F. Shepherd, and Stewart.

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain,

Leave of absence was granted to all absentees for the day.

The Speaker made the following announcement from the enrollment clerk:

In accordance with a resolution adopted by the House, I have appointed the following named persons as my assistants:

First assistant, Lucius E. Hawley.

Second assistant, Mrs. Etta Rice Saunders.

Third assistant, Frank W. Redfern.

FRANCIS W. REDFERN,
Enrollment Clerk.

Mr. H. Babcock announced that himself and Mr. Wing had exchanged seats, so that he will in future occupy seat No. 23, and Mr. Wing will occupy seat No. 69.

The Speaker also announced the following:

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—Pursuant to resolution authorizing me to do so, I have made the following appointments:

First assistant sergeant-at-arms, W. E. Stocking of Washtenaw; second assistant sergeant-at-arms, Tyler Carmer of Oceana; third assistant sergeant-at-arms, James O. Palmer of Bay.

R. H. GIBSON,
Sergeant-at-Arms.

Fred Z. Hamilton, corresponding clerk, William E. Stocking, first assistant, Tyler Carmer second assistant, and James O. Palmer third assistant sergeant-at-arms, appeared before the Speaker's desk and took and subscribed the constitutional oath of office, and entered on their respective duties.

Mr. Sawyer offered the following:

Resolved, That House Rule No. 41 be amended by adding to the list of committees contained therein, a new committee to be known as the committee on the Central Michigan Normal School;

Which was adopted, two-thirds of the members elect voting therefor.

The Speaker announced the following:

STANDING COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS.

Agricultural College—Graham, Fuller, Campbell, Oberdorffer, Babcock, C. G.

- Agriculture—Belknap, Otis, Dickinson, L. D., Miller, Tefft.
Apportionment—Kelly, Harris, Cousins, Rowley, Buskirk, Shisler, Peek, Hammond, Hoffmeister, Lusk, January, Connors, Cahoon.
Asylum for Criminal Insane—Peek, Edgar, Clark, Bates, Cahoon.
Central Michigan Normal School—Shepard, F. M., Adams, Phillips, C. C., Alward, Kerr.
City Corporations—Herrig, January, Anderson, Lusk, Weier.
Drainage—Pearson, O'Dett, Godell, Hoffmeister, Powers.
Eastern Asylum for Insane—Connors, Otis, Whitney, Sawyer, Neidermeier.
Education—Bemis, Phillips, C. C., Shisler, Smith, Vought.
Elections—Stewart, Crippen, Adams, Bryan, Tefft.
Enrollment—Gillam, Perry, Pearson, Camburn, O'Dett, Wing, Shepard, F. M., Mayer, Babcock, H.
Federal Relations—Donovan, Clark, Williams, Lusk, Campbell.
Fisheries and Game—Davis, Foote, Reed, Bryan, Weier.
General Taxation—Gustin, Perry, Savage, Green, Stoneman, Crippen, Mayer, Caldwell, Cahoon.
Geological Survey—Billings, Herrig, Zimmerman, Coad, Phillips, M. F.
Home for Feeble Minded—Harris, Camburn, Green, Crippen, Bricker.
Horticulture—Otis, Perry, Widoe, Whitney, Babcock, C. G.
Industrial School for Boys—Rowley, Reed, Putney, Hammond, Babcock, H.
Industrial Home for Girls—Peters, Herrig, Dickinson, L. D., Gillam, Gibson.
Institution for the Deaf and Dumb—McGill, Belknap, Wing, Rulison, Allison.
Insurance—Bates, Cousins, Shisler, Savage, Bricker.
Judiciary—Sawyer, Wetherbee, Atkinson, Adams, Shepherd, F., Zimmerman, McGill, Peters, Scully.
Labor—Eikhoff, Molster, Anderson, Crippen, Coad.
Liquor Traffic—Moore, E. W., Madill, Belknap, Molster, Dickinson, L. D., Petrowski, Foster, Peters, Kerr.
Local Taxation—Clark, Davis, Dickinson, J. H., Rulison, Gibson.
Lumber and Salt—Caldwell, Dudley, Fleischauer, Colvin, Babcock, C. G.
Michigan Asylum for Insane—Miller, Marsilje, Stewart, Moore, E. W., Vought.
Military Affairs—Williams, Fuller, VanCamp, Foote, Neidermeier.
Mines and Minerals—Cousins, Wing, Billings, Moore, M. G., Vought.
Normal School—Chamberlain, Shisler, Caldwell, VanCamp, Phillips, M. F.
Northern Asylum for Insane—Buskirk, Williams, O'Dett, Pearson, Colvin.
Printing—Alward, Moore, E. W., Eikhoff, Harris, Neidermeier.
Private Corporations—Moore, M. G., Bates, Graham, Madill, Lee, Green, Gustin, Billings, Gibson.
Public Health—Edgar, Miller, McGill, Petrowski, Colvin.
Public Lands—Mayer, Kimmis, Hammond, Buskirk, Bricker.
Railroads—Foote, Chamberlain, Davis, Harris, Stewart, Dudley, Peek, Fleischauer, Washer.

Religious and Benevolent Societies—Rulison, Reed, Putney, Rowley, Powers.

Revision and Amendment of our Present Statutes—Atkinson, Chamberlain, Graham, Kimmis, Wetherbee, Stoneman, Foster, Phillips, C. C., Scully, Weier.

Roads and Bridges—Shepherd, F., Oberdorffer, Goodyear, Goodell, Clute.

Rules and Joint Rules—Fuller, Zimmerman, Wetherbee, Sawyer, Kerr.

School for the Blind—Goodyear, Bryan, Billings, Lee, Babcock, H.

School of Mines—Kimmis, Cousins, Moore, M. G., Savage, Washer.

Soldiers' Home—Hammond, Putney, Atkinson, Smith, Tefft.

State Affairs—Lee, Williams, Donovan, Edgar, Connors, Goodyear, Alward, Dickinson, J. H., Van Camp.

State Capitol and Public Buildings—Phillips, C. C., Chamberlain, Dickinson, J. H., Weier, Washer.

State House of Correction—Foster, Lee, Bemis, Campbell, Powers.

State Library—Wetherbee, Whitney, Rulison, Moore, E. W., Clute.

State Prison—Anderson, Kelly, Jackson, Eikhoff, Neidermeier.

State Public School—January, Madill, Dickinson, J. H., Hoffmeister, Coad.

Supplies and Expenditures—Madill, Jackson, Shepard, F. M., Van Camp, Allison.

Towns and Counties—Camburn, Whitney, Edgar, Gillam, Phillips, M. F.

University—Lusk, Zimmerman, Stoneman, Gustin, Scully.

Upper Peninsula Asylum for Insane—Perry, Donovan, Fleischauer, Dudley, Godell.

Upper Peninsula Prison—Widoe, Shepherd, F., Molster, Petrowski, Clute.

Village Corporations—Marsilje, Jackson, Bryan, Widoe, Allison.

Ways and Means—Smith, Kelly, Marsilje, Donovan, Gillam, Stewart, Bemis, Campbell, Oberdorffer.

The Speaker also announced the following special committees:

Committee on contested election case of Baird vs. Kerr, Messrs. Chamberlain, Edgar, Anderson, Scully and Vought.

Committee to determine the number of committee clerks, group committees, and assign them rooms, Graham, Foote, Lee, Smith, Gustin.

The Speaker announced the following appointments:

Keeper of the document room—George W. R. Peaslee, Gogebic.

Keeper of the cloak room—George Houston, Wayne.

Assistant keeper of the cloak room—Francis J. Johnson, Washtenaw.

Chief janitor—Joseph W. Allan, Kalamazoo.

First assistant janitor—Oliver I. Watkins, Kent.

Second assistant janitor—Wilbur R. Rutson, Wayne.

Third assistant janitor—Abraham L. Phelps, Tuscola.

Fourth assistant janitor—Clayton W. Loring, Shiawassee.

Fifth assistant janitor—Homer Hurst, Mackinac.

Sixth assistant janitor—Orlin Convis, Hillsdale.

Seventh assistant janitor—Homer Rutledge, St. Clair.

Eighth assistant janitor—Darwin Benjamin, Eaton.

Janitor for the galleries—John C. Ahrens, Ingham.

Janitress for the galleries—Mrs. Mary Bowman, Kent.

Committee room messenger—Samuel L. Dickinson, Wayne.

Speaker's clerk—Miss Jennie Ferguson, Midland.

Speaker's messenger—Paul G. Taylor, St. Clair.

Sergeant-at-arm's messenger—Charles M. Otis, Allegan.

Enrolling clerk's messenger—Chester Pryor, Barry.

Document room messenger—Ben Hayes, Arenac.

Messengers for the floor of the House—Frank B. Gilbert, Wayne; Roy Pearson, Sanilac; Ralph B. Edgar, Lenawee; Ira S. Leland, Washtenaw; Arthur S. Johnson, Jackson; Eddie Schremser, Wayne; Blanford Pauson, Lenawee; Harry T. Graves, Berrien; Joseph Kelly, Muskegon, Harry Lyon, Oceana; Harry Thayer, Genesee.

Press Clerk—H. Allen Hopkins, St. Clair.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 1. By Mr. Harris: Petition of fifty citizens of Antrim county for the repeal of the laws relative to the publication of farm statistics.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

No. 2. By Mr. Chamberlain: Resolutions of the Board of Supervisors of Gogebic county relative to the disposition of county road funds in that county.

Referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 6, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved by the Senate (the House concurring), That the Attorney General is hereby authorized and empowered to appoint a messenger for his office, to serve during the session of the legislature;

Which has been adopted by the Senate, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The question being on concurring in the adoption of the resolution,
The resolution was adopted.

NOTICES.

Mr. January gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend certain sections of an act entitled an act to provide for, regulate and protect primaries, primary elections and conventions of political parties in the county of Wayne, and to punish offenses committed thereat, approved May 16, 1895, and to add new sections thereto.

Mr. January gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act relating to burying grounds," approved February 12, 1855, being chapter one hundred and eighty (180), as amended, of Howell's Annotated Statutes, by adding thereto a new section.

Mr. Donovan gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the board of education of the union school district of Bay City to issue bonds, payable at a future date, with interest.

Mr. Bricker gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to compel the coloring of oleomargarine and other substitutes for butter.

Mr. Smith gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the common council of the village of Houghton, in the county of Houghton, to make conveyance of metals and mineral and of the right to mine the same beneath certain land owned by said village.

Mr. Lusk gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for public notice and opportunity for a public hearing before the mayor and common council of any city of the first, second, third and fourth class concerning all special and general city laws relating to said cities.

Mr. Hammond gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to legalize the proceedings of the Oakland county Agricultural Society to sell its real estate.

Mr. Stoneman gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 17 of Act 411 of the local acts of one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, entitled "An act to provide for, regulate and protect primaries, primary elections and conventions of political parties in the county of Wayne, and to punish offenses committed thereat," and to add eight new sections to said act so as to prohibit the holding of any political convention for the nomination of candidates for any county office of said county or for the nomination of candidates for member of the legislature of this State, and to provide for such nominations by direct vote of the electors.

Mr. Geo. D. Crippen gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to establish and maintain a normal school in the village of L'Anse in Baraga county.

Mr. Foote gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Kalamazoo.

Mr. Chamberlain gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 28, article 4, of the constitution of this State, as amended by joint resolution No. 18, laws

of 1859, page 1105, ratified at the election of 1860, relative to the time for the introduction of bills in the legislature.

Mr. Chamberlain gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the location, establishment and conduct of a normal school in the upper peninsula of this State, and to make an appropriation therefor.

Mr. W. R. Edgar gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section four of act number one hundred ninety-five, entitled "An act to prohibit and prevent the adulteration, fraud and deception in the manufacture and sale of articles of food and drink."

Mr. W. R. Edgar gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the punishment of persons, copartnerships, corporations, or any other association of persons whatsoever forming pools, trusts and combines.

Mr. Eikhoff gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide fans and blowers in factories and workshops, for the protection of workmen.

Mr. Perry gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Manistee.

Mr. Lee gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend sections one, three, four, five, six and seven of act number 140 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the election of a board of county canvassers, to prescribe the term of office and powers and duties thereof," and repeal all acts and parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act.

Mr. Williams gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Niles.

Mr. Wetherbee gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the registration of deaths in Michigan and requiring certificates of death.

Mr. Wetherbee gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the testimony of a husband and wife in certain cases, and to repeal all existing acts and parts of acts conflicting with this act.

Mr. Scully gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Ionia.

Mr. Kimmis gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill authorizing boards of supervisors of the respective counties to fix the salaries of all county officers, and requiring all fees received by them to be paid into the general fund of the county.

Mr. W. D. Kelly gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the taxation and regulation of the business of manufacturing, selling, keeping for sale, furnishing, giving or delivering cigarettes, cigarette wrappers and packages containing the same, cigars and tobacco to minors.

Mr. Clark gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill authorizing the city of Ludington to exempt from taxation the property of individuals, firms or corporations on condition that they shall engage in and carry on certain manufacturing industries for a term of years.

Mr. M. G. Moore gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide the coroners of Wayne county with one clerk each and to fix their compensation.

Mr. Lusk gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the city of West Bay City.

Mr. Weier gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section one of act number one hundred and eleven of the session laws of 1869, and to repeal all acts inconsistent therewith.

Mr. Weier gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to set aside certain submerged lands in Lake Erie for a public shooting ground and to regulate the use thereof and of other submerged lands heretofore set off by act number one hundred and twelve of the public acts of 1895, and provide penalties for a violation thereof.

Mr. Lee gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 38 of act No. 44 of the public acts of one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, entitled "An act to prescribe the manner of conducting and to prevent fraud and deception at elections in this State."

Mr. Zimmerman gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 5 of act number 111 of the public acts of 1889, entitled "An act to protect fish and to regulate fishing in the waters of this State, by providing close seasons for certain kinds of fish, by prohibiting the catching of fish in certain specified ways, by prohibiting the catching of fish of certain sizes and in certain waters and for certain purposes, by prohibiting the obstruction of the free passage of fish, and by prohibiting the sale of certain kinds of fish; to protect persons engaged in fish culture, and to repeal inconsistent acts; the same being section 2197f of Howell's Annotated Statutes.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Chamberlain offered the following:

Resolved, That the Clerk of the House be and he is hereby authorized to draw an order in favor of Mr. George Wilcox for the sum of twenty-

one dollars for services as janitor from Wednesday last up to and including this date;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Chamberlain offered the following:

Authorizing the Auditor General to procure the necessary books and to make and furnish the county of Ontonagon a tax history for said county:

WHEREAS, All records in the office of the county treasurer of Ontonagon county were burned on the 25th day of August, 1896; and

WHEREAS, Said records are necessary for the protection of titles to land in said county and for the collection of taxes on lands which have been returned by said county for non-payment of taxes assessed thereon; and

WHEREAS, Said records can only be replaced by making copies of the records in the Auditor General's department, and the said county of Ontonagon has no funds for payment of the expense incident to the making of such copies; therefore

Resolved by the House (the Senate concurring), That the Auditor General be and he is hereby authorized to procure the necessary books and to make and deliver to the county treasurer of the county of Ontonagon a tax history for said county to and including the 31st day of December, 1896, and that the board of State auditors audit and allow the expense thereof as other expenses of said department are audited and allowed, and that said expense be paid out of the general fund;

Laid over one day under the rules.

Mr. January offered the following:

WHEREAS, It has been reported to the members of this House, that the city of Ontonagon, county of Ontonagon, has been visited by a holocaust, sweeping in its character, which has caused the devastation of thousands of dollars worth of property, and rendered the inhabitants thereof to be in a position whereby financial aid should be furnished them from some source; therefore be it

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That a committee of three Senators and three Representatives be appointed for the purpose of inquiring into the condition of the inhabitants of said city, and recommending such relief, if any, as may be deemed advisable.

Laid over one day under the rules.

Mr. E. W. Moore offered the following:

Resolved, That the Speaker be authorized to assign for the use of the representatives of the press in regular attendance upon the sessions of the House, appropriate desks, and that said representatives be supplied by the sergeant-at-arms with files of the journals, bills and other documents of the House;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Fuller offered the following:

Resolved by the House (the Senate concurring), That the State printer be instructed to forward one copy of the Daily Journal to each daily and weekly newspaper published within the State, and to each State officer or member of State commission, supreme, circuit and probate judge, county clerk, county treasurer, register of deeds, prosecuting attorney, circuit court commissioner, and to each public library, board of trade,

superior and recorder's court in the State, and to each county school commissioner and superintendent of each union school in the State, and that the amount of postage on such copies of said Journal be paid by the State Treasurer on the warrant of the Auditor General, on the presentation of bills duly certified by the postmaster at Lansing and by the State printer, showing that such stamps have been purchased and used only for the payment of postage on said copies of said Journal hereby ordered to be distributed;

Laid over one day under the rules.

Mr. Edgar offered the following:

Resolved, That the board of State auditors be hereby instructed to return to Representative Hall the picture of Zachariah Chandler. Permission having been granted to Percy S. Ives, son of L. T. Ives, the artist, the privilege of taking said picture down to clean and putting the same in shape to be replaced on the walls of Representative Hall, but which we now find adorns the walls of the Senate Chamber. We therefore demand that the board of State auditors return the same at once, and that it be replaced in its former home, the home of the people, in whose hearts the late Senator Chandler ever held dear the Representative Hall;

Which was unanimously adopted.

On motion of Mr. Pearson the House adjourned.

Lansing, Wednesday, January 13, 1897.

The House met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Perry.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Mr. F. Shepherd.

On motion of Mr. Connors,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. F. Shepherd until January 18.

Mr. Weier announced that his colleague, Mr. Neidermeier, of the second district of Monroe county, was present, and ready to qualify.

Mr. Neidermeier then came forward, took and subscribed the constitutional oath of office and took the seat which had heretofore been chosen for him.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 3. By Mr. L. D. Dickinson: Petition of citizens of Sunfield township, for the repeal of the laws relative to the collection of farm statistics.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 4. By Mr. L. D. Dickinson: Petition of citizens of Delta township, Eaton county, for the repeal of the laws relative to the collection of farm statistics.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 5. By Mr. Otis: Petition of W. H. Ely and forty-four other residents to change the name of Pine Grove township to Valley township. Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 6. By Mr. Cousins: Petition of citizens of Hillsdale county to repeal the laws relative to the gathering and publishing of farm statistics.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 7. By Mr. Campbell: Petition of residents of Bridgewater, in favor of the Michigan Traveling Library System.

On motion of Mr. Campbell,

The petition was ordered spread at large upon the Journal.

The petition is as follows:

"We, the undersigned residents of Bridgewater, having received the benefit of the Michigan Traveling Library (Nos. 9, 8 and 4), would respectfully petition our representatives in the legislature to see that its usefulness is not contracted but rather extended and enlarged."

Referred to the committee on State Library.

REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Your committee on Grouping, Assignment of Rooms and Clerks, respectfully report that they recommend that the groups of committees and assignment of rooms be as follows:

Ways and Means, Rules and Joint Rules, Military Affairs, Normal School, Geological Survey. Room H.

Railroads, Fisheries, Horticulture, State Capitol and Buildings. Room L.

State Affairs, Education, Public Health, School of Mines, Soldiers' Home, Mines and Minerals. Room F.

City Corporations, Agricultural College, Institute for the Deaf and Dumb, State Prison, Printing, Local Taxation. Room O.

Judiciary, Elections, Insurance. Room J.

Revision of the Statutes, Apportionment, Labor, Drainage, State Public Schools. Room A.

Private Corporations, General Taxation, Towns and Counties, Roads and Bridges, University. Room N.

Liquor Traffic, Village Corporations, Agriculture, Michigan Asylum for the Insane, Supplies and Expenditures. Room C.

Your committee would further recommend that each group above named shall be entitled to a clerk to be elected by the chairman of the various committees in each group.

The following committees are assigned to rooms as designated below:

Asylum for Criminal Insane, Eastern Asylum for the Insane, Federal Relations, Industrial School for Boys, Industrial School for Girls, Lumber and Salt, Northern Asylum for Insane, Religious and Benevolent Societies. Room M.

School for the Blind, State House of Correction, State Library, Central Michigan Normal School, Home for the Feeble Minded, Public Lands, Upper Peninsula Asylum for the Insane, Upper Peninsula Prison. Room K.

Engrossing and Enrolling Committee and Clerks. Room I.

Chief Clerk. Room E.

Chief Clerk's Assistants. Room G.

Sergeant-at-Arms and Assistants. Room D.

Janitors and Assistants. Room B.

All of which is respectfully submitted, and your committee asks to be discharged.

R. D. GRAHAM, Chairman.

C. E. FOOTE,

HENRY LEE,

CHARLES SMITH,

H. K. GUSTIN.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the report,

The report was adopted.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 12, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved by the Senate (the House concurring), That the State Printer be instructed to forward one copy of the daily Journal to each daily and weekly newspaper published within the State, and to each State officer, or member of State commission, supreme, circuit and probate judge, county clerk, county treasurer, register of deeds, prosecuting attorney, circuit court commissioner, and to each public library, board of trade, superior and recorder's court in the State, and to each county school commissioner and superintendent of each union school in the State, and that the amount of postage on such copies of said Journal be paid by the State Treasurer on the warrant of the Auditor General, on the presentation of bills duly certified by the postmaster at Lansing, and by the State Printer, showing that such stamps have been purchased and used only for the payment of postage on said copies of said Journal hereby ordered to be distributed.

Which has been adopted by the Senate, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

CHARLES S. PIERCE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The question being on concurring in the adoption of the resolution, Mr. Donovan offered the following substitute therefor:

Resolved by the House (the Senate concurring), That the Secretary of State be instructed to forward without compensation one copy of the Daily Journal to each daily and weekly newspaper published within the State, and to each State officer or member of State commission, supreme, circuit and probate judge, county clerk, county treasurer, register of

deeds, prosecuting attorney, circuit court commissioner, and to each public library, board of trade, superior and recorder's court in the State, and to each county school commissioner and superintendent of each union school in the State, and that the amount of postage on such copies of said Journal be paid by the State Treasurer on the warrant of the Auditor General, on the presentation of bills duly certified by the postmaster at Lansing, and by the State Printer, showing that such stamps have been purchased and used only for the payment of postage on said copies of said Journal hereby ordered to be distributed.

The question being on agreeing to the substitute,

Mr. Molster moved to amend the substitute by inserting therein the words "each Trades and Labor library in the State," after the words "each public library;"

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Adams moved to further amend the substitute by inserting after the words "Union school in the State," the words, "township clerks, and not to exceed ten copies to the order of each member;"

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on concurring in the adoption of the substitute as amended,

Mr. Edgar moved that the resolution do lie on the table,

Which motion did not prevail.

The question again being on agreeing to the substitute, as amended,

The substitute was agreed to.

The resolution as amended by the substitute was then adopted.

NOTICES.

Mr. Chamberlain gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Ironwood in the county of Gogebic.

Mr. Lee gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill making an appropriation for the current and running expenses of the Michigan Home for the Feeble Minded and Epileptic, until the general appropriation for that purpose shall be available.

Mr. Vought gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to be entitled, an act to prevent the sale, giving away or disposing of cigarettes, cigarette tobacco, or cigarette paper, or any substitute for any of them in the State of Michigan.

Mr. Molster gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the labeling and marking of convict made goods, wares, and merchandise, manufactured by convicts.

Mr. Colvin gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 38 of act No. 190 of the public acts of 1891, entitled "an act to prescribe the manner of conducting and to prevent fraud and deception at elections in this State," as amended by act No. 44, public acts of 1895.

Mr. Foote gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to change the name of Rose Theresa Lootofskie to Rose Theresa Herman.

Mr. Wetherbee gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the purchase of books and employment for the Michigan State Library and the Michigan Traveling Libraries.

Mr. Wetherbee gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to protect the owners of bottles, boxes, siphons, fountains and kegs used in the sale of milk, cream, soda water, mineral waters, porter, ale, cider, ginger ale, small beer, lager beer, weiss beer, beer, white beer or other beverages.

Mr. Camburn gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to prevent deception in the manufacture and sale of imitation butter.

Mr. Sawyer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend act No. 202, public acts, A. D. 1895, relating to divorces.

Mr. Coad gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to enable the people of Leroy township, Ingham county, to pay for certain bridges and culverts constructed in said township of Leroy.

Mr. Fuller gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the city of Escanaba, Delta county, to borrow money and issue bonds in the sum of one hundred and twenty-five (\$125,000) thousand dollars to be used in the purchase of a water works system in said city.

Mr. Kerr gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the appropriation of 3,000 acres of State swamp land for the purpose of widening and deepening the channel of Birch Run creek, when necessary, in the county of Saginaw.

Mr. Otis gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to change the name of Pine Grove township, Allegan county, to Valley township.

Mr. C. G. Babcock gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 10 of act No. 147 of the session laws of 1891, relative to fixing salaries of county commissioners of schools and dispensing with assistants' visitors.

Mr. M. G. Moore gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 9 and Sec. 16 of act No. 184 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the inspection of all manufacturing establishments and workshops in this State and to provide for the enforcement, regulation and inspection of such establishments and the employment of women and children therein.

Mr. F. M. Shepard gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 10 of act No. 196 of the public acts of 1887, entitled "An act to regulate the practice of pharmacy in the State of Michigan."

Mr. Widoe gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 21, chapter 4, and the ninth subdivision of Sec. 1, chapter 7, of public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of villages within the State of Michigan and defining their powers and duties."

Mr. Gustin gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to permit divorces in cases of incurable insanity.

Mr. Cahoon gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 156 of session laws of 1891, entitled "An act to regulate the interest of money on account, interest on money, judgments, verdicts, etc."

Mr. L. D. Dickinson gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to repeal law relative to collection, compiling and publishing of farm statistics.

Mr. Gustin gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Alpena.

Mr. Donovan gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 27 of Ch. 123, R. S. of 1846, relative to proceedings to recover the possession of land in certain cases, the same being compiler's Sec. 8309 of Howell's annotated statutes, as amended by act 199 of the laws of 1863.

Mr. Donovan gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 33 of Ch. 108 of the R. S. of 1846, relative to action of ejectment, the same being compiler's Sec. 7819, Howell's annotated statutes.

Mr. Graham gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill relative to divorce.

Mr. Scully gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend act 137 of public acts of 1895, relative to granting licenses to hawkers, peddlers and pawnbrokers.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Chamberlain, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1, entitled

A bill to provide for the location, establishment and conduct of a Normal School in the upper peninsula of this State, and to make an appropriation therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Lee, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 2, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 149 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the election of a board of county canvassers, to prescribe the term of office and powers and duties thereof, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Elections.

Mr. Kelley, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 3, entitled

A bill to provide for the taxation and regulation of the business of manufacturing, selling, keeping for sale, furnishing, giving or delivering cigarettes, cigarette wrappers and packages containing the same, cigars and tobacco, to minors as therein provided.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Public Health.

Mr. M. G. Moore, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 4, entitled

A bill to provide the coroners of Wayne county with one clerk each and to fix their compensation.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. January, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 5, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act relating to burying grounds," approved February 12, 1855, being chapter 180 as amended of Howell's annotated statutes, by adding a new section thereto.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Public Health.

Mr. Stoneman, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 6, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 17, of Act No. 411, of local acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for, regulate and protect primaries, primary elections and conventions of political parties in the county of Wayne, and to punish offenses committed thereat," and to add eight new sections to said act so as to prohibit the holding of any political convention for the nomination of candidates for any county office for said county or for the nomination of candidates for member of the legislature of this State, and to provide for such nomination by direct vote of the electors.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Elections.

Mr. Clark, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 7, entitled

A bill authorizing the city of Ludington to exempt from taxation the property of individuals, firms, or corporations, on condition that they shall engage in and carry on certain manufacturing industries for a term of years.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Donovan, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 8, entitled

A bill to authorize the board of education of the Union school district of Bay City to issue bonds payable at a future date with interest.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Smith, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 9, entitled

A bill to authorize the common council of the village of Houghton, in the county of Houghton, to make conveyance of metals and minerals and of the right to mine the same beneath certain land owned by said village.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Smith,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Fleischhauer	Mr. O'Dett
Allison	Foote	Otis
Alward	Foster	Pearson
Anderson	Fuller	Peek
Atkinson	Gibson	Perry
Babcock, C. G.	Gillam	Peters
Babcock, H.	Goodell	Petrowski
Bates	Goodyear	Phillips, C. C.
Belknap	Graham	Phillips, M. F.
Bemis	Green	Powers
Billings	Gustin	Putney
Bricker	Hammond	Reed
Bryan	Harris	Rullson
Buskirk	Herrig	Savage
Cahoon	Hofmeister	Sawyer
Caldwell	Jackson	Scully
Camburn	January	Shepard, F. M.

Mr. Campbell	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Shisler
Chamberlain	Kerr	Smith
Clark	Kimmis	Stewart
Clute	Lee	Stoneman
Coad	Lusk	Tefft
Colvin	Madill	Van Camp
Connors	Marsilje	Vought
Cousins	Mayer	Washer.
Crippen	McGill	Weier
Davis	Miller	Wetherbee
Dickinson, J. H.	Molster	Widoe
Dickinson, L. D.	Moore, E. W.	Williams
Donovan	Moore, M. G.	Wing
Dudley	Niedermeier	Zimmerman
Edgar	Oberdorffer	Speaker
Eikhoff		

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Smith,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Weier, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 10, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of act No. 111 of the session laws of 1869, and to repeal all acts inconsistent therewith.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fish and Game.

Mr. Weier, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 11, entitled

A bill to set aside certain submerged lands in Lake Erie for a public shooting ground and to regulate the use thereof, and of other submerged lands heretofore set off by act No. 112 of the public acts of 1895, and provide penalties for the violation thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fish and Game.

Mr. Hammond, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 12, entitled

A bill to legalize the proceedings of the Oakland County Agricultural Society to sell its real estate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Hammond,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Foote	Mr. Otis
Allison	Foster	Pearson
Alward	Fuller	Peek
Anderson	Gibson	Perry
Anderson	Gillam	Peters
Babcock, C. G.	Goodell	Petrowski
Babcock, H.	Goodyear	Phillips, C. C.
Bates	Graham	Phillips, M. F.
Belknap	Green	Powers
Bemis	Gustin	Putney
Billings	Hammond	Reed
Bricker	Harris	Rulison
Bryan	Herrig	Savage
Buskirk	Hofmeister	Sawyer
Caldwell	Jackson	Scully
Camburn	January	Shepard, F. M.
Campbell	Kelly	Shisler
Chamberlain	Kerr	Smith
Clark	Kimmis	Stewart
Clute	Lee	Stoneman
Coad	Lusk	Tefft
Colvin	Madill	Van Camp
Connors	Marsilje	Vought
Cousins	Mayer	Washer.
Crippen	McGill	Weier
Davis	Molster	Wetherbee
Dickinson, J. H.	Moore, E. W.	Widoe
Dickinson, L. D.	Moore, M. G.	Williams
Donovan	Niedermeier	Wing
Dudley	Oberdorffer	Zimmerman
Eikhoff	O'Dett	Speaker
Fleischhauser		

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Hammond,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Lee, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 13, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 38, of act No. 44, of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to prescribe the manner of conducting and to prevent fraud and deception at elections in this State."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Elections.

Mr. Chamberlain, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House joint resolution No. 1, entitled

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to Sec. 28, article 4, of the constitution of this State, as amended by joint resolution No. 18, laws of 1859, ratified at the election of 1860, relative to the time for the introduction of bills in the legislature.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Marsilje offered the following:

Resolved, That \$21 be paid Albert Chapman, of Ottawa county, for services rendered as special janitor from Wednesday, January 6, to Tuesday, January 12, he having been appointed by the Speaker to act in that capacity;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Graham offered the following:

Resolved, That Lewis M. Miller, the present compiler of the general statutes, be requested to co-operate with the committee on Amendment and Revision of the present statutes and render such committee such information and assistance as he may be able to do;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Putney offered the following:

Resolved, That \$21 be paid Charles A. Disbrow, of Lansing, for services rendered as special janitor from Wednesday, January 6, to Tuesday, January 12, he having been appointed by the Speaker to act in that capacity;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Chamberlain moved that the resolutions of the board of supervisors of Gogebic county, which were presented by him yesterday, under the order of "Presentation of Petitions," be spread at large on the Journal;

Which motion prevailed.

The resolutions are as follows:

STATE OF MICHIGAN, }
County of Gogebic, } ss.

I, Conrad Carlson, clerk of said county and clerk of the circuit court for the county of Gogebic, do hereby certify that the following is a correct copy of a resolution unanimously adopted by the board of supervisors of Gogebic county, at their meeting held at the court house, in the city of Bessemer, on Tuesday, December 15, A. D., 1896:

"WHEREAS, the adoption by this county of the so-called county road system has been set aside by the courts, and its resubmission is not desired by the people or taxpayers of the county, and

WHEREAS, There is now in the hands of the treasurer of the county some three thousand dollars credited to this so called county road fund, the pro rata repayment of which to the original payers is impracticable; therefore

Resolved by the board of supervisors of Gogebic county, That the prosecuting attorney of the county be requested to formulate a proper bill and forward same to our Representative at Lansing, authorizing the extinction, so far as this county is concerned, of this so called county road fund and the absorption of all moneys now credited to said fund or hereafter paid into same, into the general fund of the county;

Resolved, That the Senator from this district, the Hon. O. W. Robinson, and our Representative, Hon. F. C. Chamberlain, be and they are hereby requested to extend their best efforts in the passage of such bill through their respective branches of the legislature;

Resolved further, That the clerk of this board forward a properly certified copy of these resolutions to each of said members and to the Chief Executive of the State."

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said court, at Bessemer, this 24th day of December, A. D., 1896.

CONRAD CARLSON,
Clerk.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Being the consideration of the following:

Authorizing the Auditor General to procure the necessary books and to make and furnish the county of Ontonagon a tax history for said county:

WHEREAS, All records in the office of the county treasurer of Ontonagon county were burned on the 25th day of August, 1896; and

WHEREAS, Said records are necessary for the protection of titles to land in said county and for the collection of taxes on lands which have been returned by said county for non-payment of taxes assessed thereon; and

WHEREAS, Said records can only be replaced by making copies of the records in the Auditor General's department, and the said county of Ontonagon has no funds for payment of the expense incident to the making of such copies; therefore

Resolved by the House (the Senate concurring), That the Auditor General be and he is hereby authorized to procure the necessary books and to make and deliver to the county treasurer of the county of Ontonagon a tax history for said county to and including the 31st day of December, 1896, and that the Board of State Auditors audit and allow the expense thereof as other expenses of said department are audited and allowed, and that said expense be paid out of the general fund;

Which,

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain,

Was laid on the table.

Also the following:

WHEREAS, It has been reported to the members of this House, that the city of Ontonagon, county of Ontonagon, has been visited by a holocaust, sweeping in its character, which has caused the devastation of thousands of dollars' worth of property, and rendered the inhabitants thereof to be in a position whereby financial aid should be furnished them from some source; therefore be it

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That a committee of three Senators and three Representatives be appointed for the purpose of inquiring into the condition of the inhabitants of said city, and recommending such relief, if any, as may be deemed advisable;

Which was adopted.

Also the following:

Resolved by the House (the Senate concurring), That the State printer be instructed to forward one copy of the Daily Journal to each daily and weekly newspaper published within the State, and to each State officer or member of State commission, supreme, circuit and probate judge, county clerk, county treasurer, register of deeds, prosecuting attorney, circuit court commissioner, and to each public library, board of trade, superior and recorder's court in the State, and to each county school commissioner and superintendent of each union school in the State, and that the amount of postage on such copies of said Journal be paid by the State Treasurer on the warrant of the Auditor General, on the presentation of bills duly certified by the postmaster at Lansing and by the State printer, showing that such stamps have been purchased and used only for the payment of postage on said copies of said Journal hereby ordered to be distributed;

Which,

On motion of Mr. Fuller,

Was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Lee,

The House took a recess until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock p. m.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll call: quorum present.

The House resumed the regular order.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

By the committees occupying room O.:

The committees on City Corporations, Agricultural College, Institution for the Deaf, Local Taxation, State Prison and Printing respectively report that they have appointed Charles H. Pratt as the clerk of said group during this session.

PETER HERRIG,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

By the committees occupying Room L:

The committees on Railroads, Fisheries and Game, Horticulture, and Capitol and Public Buildings, respectively report that they have appointed Corydon Beach as their clerk.

GEO. B. DAVIS,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

By the committees occupying room H:

The chairmen of the group of five committees assigned to Room H have appointed Charles W. Mallock as clerk.

CHARLES SMITH.
O. B. FULLER.
F. C. CHAMBERLAIN.
S. M. BILLINGS.
EDWIN S. WILLIAMS.

Report accepted.

By the committees occupying room C:

The committees on Liquor Traffic, Village Corporations, Agriculture, Michigan Asylum for Insane, and Supplies and Expenditures, together occupying room C, have appointed F. T. Johnson as their clerk for this session.

E. W. MOORE,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

By the committees occupying room A:

The chairmen of the following committees, viz.: Revision of the Statutes, State Public School, Labor, Apportionment and Drainage, which comprise one group, have appointed William W. Shier as clerk of the aforesaid committees.

WM. S. JANUARY.
WM. D. KELLY.
JOHN ATKINSON.
HENRY EIKHOFF.

Report accepted.

By the committees occupying room N:

The chairmen of the committees on Private Corporations, General Taxation, Towns and Counties, Roads and Bridges, and University, hereby appoint Albert E. Manning clerk of our several committees.

M. G. MOORE.
H. K. GUSTIN.
T. W. CAMBURN.
GEO. L. LUSK.

Report accepted.

NOTICES.

Mr. Bricker gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 1, of act No. 19, of the public acts of 1893, approved March 23, 1893, entitled "An act to amend Sec. 1, of act No. 32, of the

public acts of 1873, entitled 'An act to extend aid to the University of Michigan.'"

Mr. Weyer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to define the rights of employes of railroad corporations (including street railway corporations), and to determine the liability of such corporations to its employes for injuries resulting from the negligence of employes of such corporations.

Mr. Atkinson gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the general railroad law relative to the meetings of stockholders, being Sec. 3, of article 2, act No. 198, of the session laws of 1873, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of railroad companies and to regulate the running and management and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroads and other corporations owning and operating any railroad in this State," as amended by act No. 61, of the session laws of 1875.

Mr. Atkinson gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to permit foreign railroad companies to hold and own certain lands in this State, to confirm conveyances of such land to other foreign railroad companies on certain conditions, and to authorize the recording of a copy of agreement by which such conveyances have been or may hereafter be made.

Mr. Peters gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to secure safety in the use of stationary, local and portable steam boilers and engines, and competency in the management and care of the same, to create a board of State supervising inspection and prescribe the powers and duties of such board.

Mr. Peters gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill providing for the branding, stamping or placarding of all articles manufactured in whole or in part by convict or pauper labor.

Mr. Savage gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill allowing the deposit of a guarantee fund in the State treasury by fraternal beneficiary societies, orders and associations doing business in this State.

Mr. Kimmis gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 21, of chapter 3, of act No. 164, of the public acts of the legislature of Michigan for the year 1881, approved May 21, 1881, entitled "An act to revise and consolidate the laws relating to public instruction and primary schools and to repeal all statutes and acts contravening the provisions of this act," as amended by act No. 16, of the session laws of 1895, approved March 8, 1895, entitled "An act to amend Sec. 17 and Sec. 20, of chapter 2, Sec. 21, of chapter 3, and Sec. 11, of chapter 11, of act No. 164, of the public acts of 1881, being Secs. 5049, 5052, 5073 and 5146 of Howell's annotated statutes, entitled 'An act to revise and consolidate the laws relating to public instruction and primary

schools, and to repeal all statutes and acts ~~contravening~~ the provisions of this act," as amended by act No. 258, of public acts of 1895.

Mr. Lee gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 3 of an act entitled "An act to provide for the payment of a franchise fee by corporations," being act No. 982 of the public acts of Michigan for 1891, as amended by act No. 79 of the public acts of 1893 and act No. 91 of the public acts of 1895.

Mr. Anderson gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 30 of act No. 264 of the session laws of 1861, entitled "An act to authorize proceedings by garnishment in the circuit courts and the district court of the upper peninsula," approved March 16, 1861, as subsequently amended, the same being section 3086 of Howell's annotated statutes.

Mr. Herrig gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of Saginaw.

Mr. Anderson gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 25 of act 137 of the laws of 1849, as amended, relative to authorizing proceedings against garnishees and for other purposes as amended, being section 8055 of Howell's annotated statutes, as amended by act 178 of the session laws of 1891.

Mr. Atkinson gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill relating to negotiable instruments, being an act to establish a law uniform with the laws of other states on that subject.

Mr. Atkinson gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to promote the establishment and efficiency of free public libraries.

Mr. Atkinson gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the preservation of forests in the State of Michigan and for the prevention and suppression of forest and other fires.

Mr. Atkinson gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 38, chapter 158, of the compiled laws of 1871, the same being Sec. 5925 of Howell's annotated statutes, relative to the payment of debt and legacies of deceased persons.

Mr. Fuller gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 13, of chapter 81, of the revised statutes of 1846, relative to chattel mortgages.

Mr. Atkinson gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 45, of chapter 158, of the compiled laws of 1871, as amended by act No. 92 of the public acts of 1885, the same being Sec. 5932 of the third volume Howell's annotated statutes, relative to the payment of debt and legacies of deceased persons.

Mr. Atkinson gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 9, of chapter 26, of the compiled laws of 1857, entitled the regulation of ferries, as amended by Sec. 1469 of Howell's annotated statutes.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Zimmerman, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 14, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 5, of act 111, of public acts of 1889, entitled "An act to protect fish, and to regulate fishing in the waters of this State, by providing close seasons for certain kinds of fish, by prohibiting the catching of fish in certain specified ways; by prohibiting the catching of fish of certain sizes, and in certain waters, and for certain purposes; by prohibiting the obstruction of the free passage of fish, and by prohibiting the sale of certain kinds of fish; to protect persons engaged in fish culture, and to replace inconsistent acts; the same being Sec. 2197f, 3d vol. of Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fish and Game.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Anderson offered the following:

Resolved, That A. G. Butler, Sergeant-at-Arms of the House of 1895, be allowed the sum of fifteen dollars (\$15) for services rendered in the organization of the present House;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Donovan offered the following:

Resolved, That the Speaker be and is hereby authorized to appoint Mrs. Lottie A. Chamberlain as stenographer and typewriter in general for this honorable body;

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

Mr. Gillam moved that the resolution be referred to the committee on Ways and Means;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Pearson,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Thursday, January 14, 1897.

The House met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Thompson.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. Atkinson, Bates, Kerr, and Stoneman.

On motion of Mr. Ohamberlain,

Leave of absence was granted to all absentees for the day.

The Speaker announced the following:

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—Pursuant to resolution authorizing me to do so, I have made the following appointment:

Postmaster's messenger, Frank Benton, of Saginaw.

Respectfully,

E. A. STIMSON, P. M.

The Speaker announced the appointment of John G. Whitten as Assistant Keeper of the Document Room.

The chief clerk announced that he had appointed M. T. Murray, of Oakland county, as financial clerk, on his staff.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 9. By Mr. Meier: Application of D. E. Kinney for appointment as House stenographer.

No reference.

No. 10. By Mr. Cousins: Petition of E. S. Marsh and 142 others asking the repeal of all laws relative to the collection, compilation and publishing of farm statistics.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 11. By Mr. L. D. Dickinson: Petition of citizens of Eaton Rapids township, for the repeal of the laws relative to the collection of farm statistics.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 12. By Mr. Buskirk: Petition of S. A. Guard and others asking for the amendment of the laws relative to water power companies be amended.

Referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

No. 13. By Mr. L. D. Dickinson: Petition of citizens of Windsor, Eaton county, for the repeal of the laws relative to the publication of farm statistics.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 14. My Mr. Campbell: Memorial of the supervisors of Washtenaw county relative to the collection of farm statistics.

On demand of Mr. Campbell,

The memorial was read at length and spread at large on the Journal, as follows:

WHEREAS, The collection of farm statistics by supervisors is a source of great expense to the State; and

WHEREAS, The interests of agriculture are not advanced thereby; therefore, be it

Resolved, by the board of supervisors of Washtenaw county, in annual session convened, That the representatives and senator from this county be requested to secure the repeal of all acts requiring the collection of fruit, farm and apiarian statistics.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

By the committees occupying Room F.

The committees of State Affairs, Education, Public Health, School of Mines, Soldiers' Home and Mines and Minerals, having been grouped and the chairmen of said committees having been granted power to appoint a clerk, notice is hereby given that A. H. Lee is appointed as clerk of said committees.

HENRY LEE,
A. N. KIMMIS, JR.,
D. JUDSON HAMMOND,
JAMES COUSINS,
W. R. EDGAR,
A. L. BEMIS.

Report accepted.

By the special committee on Division of Governors' Messages:

Your special committee to whom was referred the messages of the retiring and incoming Governor, and the address to the House on taking the chair of Speaker Gordon, report and recommend that reference and recommendation in the message of retiring Governor Rich, that concerns financial affairs, be referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

On taxation, to committee on Taxation.

On State prisons and penology, to committee on State Prison and House of Correction.

On contract labor to committee on Labor.

On grading of prisoners and parole, to committee on Revision of the Laws.

On judges statement, to committee on Revision of Laws.

On transfer of convicts, to committee on Prisons.

On private corporations, to committee by that title.

On Michigan National Guard and Michigan Naval Brigade, to committee on Military Affairs.

On the judiciary, to Judiciary Committee.

On public health, to committee on Public Health.

On farmer's institutes, to committees on Agriculture.

On vital statistics, to committee on Public Health.

On forestry, to committee on Agriculture and Horticulture.

On geological survey, to committee by that title.

On University, State Normal School, Central Michigan Normal School, State Agricultural College, Michigan Mining School, to committees of said institutions and on education.

On Michigan Soldier's Home, to committee on said institution.

On Michigan Home for Feeble Minded and Epileptic, Upper Peninsula Hospital for the Insane, Michigan School for the Deaf, Michigan School

for the Blind, State Public School, Industrial School for Boys, Industrial Home for Girls, Asylum for the Insane, Michigan Asylum for Dangerous and Criminal Insane, to regular committees of said institutions.

On State Library, to committee on State Library.

And on powers of boards, to committee on Revision of the Law.

Of the recommendations of Governor Pingree.

Those with reference to primary elections, to committee on Elections.

On taxation, to committee on Taxation.

On fixing railroad tolls, to committee on Railroads.

On the referendum, to committee on Revision of the Laws and Labor Committee.

On trusts and combinations, to committee on Revisions of the Laws and Judiciary.

On State control of corporate stock and bond issues, property rights respected, to committee on State Affairs, and Private Corporations.

On liability of stockholders, to last named committee.

On the present tax law, to Taxation Committee; also taxes upon timber lands, to same committee.

On State institutions, committee on State Affairs.

On the University, to committee on University and Education.

On the "lobbyist," to committee on Rules and Regulations.

On public franchises, to committee on State Affairs and Cities and Villages.

On telephones, to committee on State Affairs, and City Corporations.

On prisons, to committee on Reformatories and Penal Institutions.

On insurance, to insurance Committee.

On the subject of coal and other state resources, to the committee on Mines and Minerals.

On the subject of good roads, to the committee on Boards and Bridges.

On certain school districts, to committee on Education.

On the subject of "arbitration," to committee on the Revision of the Law and Labor Committee.

On statistics relating to corporations, to committee on State Affairs.

On coercion of electors, to committee on Elections.

On fish propagation, to committee on Fisheries and Game.

On banking departments, to State Affairs Committee and committee on Revision of the Laws.

On inheritance and income taxes, to committee on Taxation.

On "a point in State finances," to committee on Ways and Means.

On short legislative sessions, to committee on Revision of Laws, and on the subject of child labor, to the committee on Labor.

Touching the address to the House of Speaker Gordon, your committee recommend that the reference of the Speaker to the subject of skeleton bills, be referred to the committee on Judiciary, and the recommendation and suggestion with respect to the junketing trip, so-called, be referred to the committee on State Affairs, with the request that said committee take under serious and immediate consideration this grievous subject, and report back to the House at their earliest convenience such recommendations as they may deem proper. And to the many general timely and excellent suggestions of the Speaker respecting the labors before the

House, methods of procedure, etc., we invite the careful, candid consideration of every member of the House.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE L. LUSK,
JOHN ATKINSON,
HENRY LEE,
JAMES POWERS,
S. M. BILLINGS,

Committee.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the report,

Mr. Gustin moved the report be amended by making the reference of the subject of telephones, to the committee on Private Corporations instead of City Corporations;

Which motion did not prevail.

The report was then adopted.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 13, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 12, entitled

A bill to legalize the proceedings of the Oakland County Agricultural Society to sell its real estate.

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

C. S. PIERCE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

NOTICES.

Mr. Fleischhauer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to allow the board of supervisors of Osceola and Lake counties, by two-thirds vote, to permit the spearing of grass pike and suckers in any waters of said counties.

Mr. Fleischhauer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 3 of act No. 110 public acts of 1893, so as to limit the power of game wardens in causing proceedings to be commenced against supposed violators of game and fish laws and to provide for costs of prosecution.

Mr. Gillam gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill relative to the employment of clerks of committees of the legislature of the State of Michigan.

Mr. Chamberlain gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to annex the county of Isle Royale to the county of Keweenaw, and to provide for the assessment, levy and collection of taxes therein.

Mr. Buskirk gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 8 of act 232, of public acts 1863, relative to water power companies.

Mr. Bryan gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to prohibit the shooting of wild fowl by persons on board of any floating device which employs as motive power, steam, gas, naphtha, oil, or electricity.

Mr. Goodyear gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend act No. 120 of public acts of 1895, entitled an act to prevent the spearing of fish in the waters of Long Lake, in Genesee county, Mich.

Mr. Davis gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to repeal the charter of the Detroit and Erie Plank Road Co.

Mr. Goodell gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to prohibit the supervisors of the county of Wayne from collecting a fee of fifty dollars from the treasurer of the county of Wayne for taking or making out the cereal report.

Mr. Anderson gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Secs. 1 and 10 of act No. 81, laws of 1873, entitled "An act to establish a State Board of Health, to provide for the appointment of a Superintendent of Vital Statistics, and to assign certain duties to local boards of health," approved April 12, 1873.

Mr. Shisler gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide that in all graded school districts in which a newspaper is published, the proceedings of the board of education shall be published.

Mr. Davis gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the general election law relative to doing away with stamps and pads in election booths.

Mr. Chamberlain gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Sec. 15 of article 4 of the constitution of this State relative to the compensation of members of the legislature.

Mr. Alward gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Secs. Nos. 27 and 40 of chapter 78 of the compiled laws of 1871, the same being Secs. 3622 and 3635 of the compiled laws of 1882, relating to the manner in which plank road companies may acquire the right to use public highways, and the payment of taxes; also to provide a penalty for non-compliance with the law.

Mr. Donovan gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the collection and publication of statistics of divorces in Michigan.

Mr. Chamberlain gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Sec. 33 of Art. 4 of the constitution of this State, relative to the time for holding sessions of the legislature and limiting the same to a definite period.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Crippen, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 15, entitled

A bill to locate, establish and conduct a Normal School in the village of L'Anse, Baraga county, and make an appropriation therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Lee, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 16, entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the current and running expenses of the Michigan Home for the Feeble Minded and epileptic, until the general appropriation for that purpose shall be available.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Home for Feeble Minded.

Mr. Gustin, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 17, entitled

A bill to permit divorce in case of incurable insanity.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Anderson, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 18, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 30 of act No. 264 of the session laws of 1861, entitled "An act to authorize proceedings by garnishment in the circuit courts and the district courts of the Upper Peninsula," approved March 16, 1861, as subsequently amended, the same being Sec. 8086 of Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Anderson, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 19, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 25 of act No. 137 of the laws of 1849, as amended, relative to authorizing proceedings against garnishees and for other purposes as amended, being Sec. 8055 of Howell's annotated statutes, as amended by act 178 of the session laws of 1891.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Fuller, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 20, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 13 of chapter 81 of the revised statutes of 1846, relative to fraudulent conveyances and contracts, relative to goods, chattels and things in action, as amended by the several acts amendatory thereof; being Sec. 6196 of Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Fuller, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 21, entitled

A bill to authorize the city of Escanaba, in the county of Delta, and State of Michigan, to borrow money and issue bonds in the sum of \$125,000, to be used in the purchase of a water works system in said city.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Lee, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 22, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 3 of an act entitled "An act to provide for the payment of a franchise fee by corporations," being act No. 182 of the public acts of Michigan for 1891, as amended by acts No. 79 of the public acts of 1893, and No. 91 of the public acts of 1895.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Foote offered the following:

WHEREAS, There is now pending in congress a bill (H. R. 4339) to establish a National Military Park to commemorate the campaign, siege and defense of Vicksburg; and

WHEREAS, The operations that culminated almost simultaneously at Gettysburg and Vicksburg, in July, 1863, not only mark the turning point in the War of the Rebellion, but also constitute one of the greatest epochs in the history of our country, and should both be commemorated in the most impressive and enduring manner possible; and

WHEREAS, The establishment of a National Military Park at Vicksburg will be a most fitting and appropriate monument to the great Commander whose genius planned these operations and directed them to a successful issue; and

WHEREAS, The State of Michigan has an especial interest in this bill, for the reason that of her gallant soldiers seven regiments of Infantry

and two Batteries of Artillery participated in the operations it is intended to commemorate; therefore

Resolved by the House (the Senate concurring), That the legislature of the State of Michigan, by this concurrent resolution, asks that the above named bill (H. R. 4339) be passed during this session of congress, and requests the Senators and members of the House of Representatives in congress from Michigan to labor earnestly for its passage; and the Secretary of State is hereby directed to send a certified copy of this Resolution to the Senators and members of the House of Representatives from Michigan, to the Hon. Thomas B. Reed, Speaker of the House of Representatives, and to the Hon. John A. F. Hull, Chairman of the House committee on Military Affairs, and to the Senators and Representatives in congress from this State.

Pending the order that the resolution lie over one day under the rules,

On motion of Mr. Foote,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the resolution was put upon its immediate consideration.

The resolution was then adopted.

Mr. Gillam offered the following:

Resolved, That the stenographers to be employed by the special committee on the contested election case of Baird vs. Kerr shall not receive to exceed three dollars (\$3) per day during the sitting of such committee;

Which was not adopted.

Mr. Petrowsky offered the following:

Resolved, That the Sergeant-at-Arms be authorized to secure a directory of 1896 of city of Detroit for use of the House;

Which was not adopted.

Mr. Sawyer offered the following:

Resolved, That there be paid to the young men who acted as pages of this House up to the time of appointing the permanent pages, and who were not appointed permanent pages, the sum of eight dollars each;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Edgar offered the following:

Resolved, That a committee of five be appointed by the Speaker who shall determine the extra compensation to be paid to the House employes, and report at a future date;

Which was adopted.

Mr. January moved that leave of absence at will be granted to Mr. Kerr during the pendency of the contested election case;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Sawyer offered the following:

Resolved, That the committees upon Judiciary, Elections and Insurance be instructed to employ a clerk that shall also be a stenographer without extra compensation.

For which,

Mr. Kelly offered the following substitute:

WHEREAS, The committee on the revision and amendment of our present statutes, and judiciary committee will have an immense volume of work to accomplish in connection with the new compilation of statutes, and being of such a character that the services of a stenographer will be required; therefore be it

Resolved, That the chairmen of the committee on the Revision and amendment of our present statutes and Judiciary committee be and are hereby authorized and empowered to appoint a stenographer to assist in such work; such appointment to continue and be in force so long as the services of such stenographer may be needed.

The question being on agreeing to the substitute,

On motion of Mr. Sawyer,

The resolution was referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain,

The House adjourned .

Lansing, Friday, January 15, 1897.

The House met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Osborne.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. Atkinson, Davis, Foote, Sawyer and Stoneman.

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain,

Leave of absence was granted to all absentees for the day.

On motion of Mr. Bates,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Sawyer indefinitely on account of urgent business.

On motion of Mr. Kimmis,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Wing for Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Marsilje,

Leave of absence was granted to himself for Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Zimmerman,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Lusk for Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Washer,

Leave of absence was granted to himself until the 25th inst.

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Foote indefinitely on account of business.

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Davis indefinitely on account of business.

The Speaker announced the following:

Chester Prior, of Barry county, having been appointed enrolling clerk's messenger, and being unable to come to Lansing, the appointment of said Chester Prior is hereby vacated and Elliot A. Schantz of Barry county is hereby appointed enrolling clerk's messenger in the place of said Chester Prior.

Also the following:

Committee on Extra Compensation to be paid House Employees, Messrs. Edgar, Kimmis, Connors, Campbell and Donovan.

The Speaker also announced the following:
To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have the honor to announce that in accordance with the resolution of the House authorizing me so to do, I have appointed Henry Hagens, of Kent, as Journal clerk's messenger.

Very respectfully,
SAMUEL F. COOK,
Journal Clerk.

The Speaker also announced the following:
In accordance with a resolution passed by this body I have appointed Albert O. Hoyt as fourth assistant in my office.

FRANCIS W. REDFERN,
Enrollment Clerk.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on Ways and Means:

The committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred

A resolution introduced by Mr. Sawyer, as follows:

Resolved, That the committees upon Judiciary, Elections and Insurance be instructed to employ a clerk that shall also be a stenographer without extra compensation.

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying substitute therefor:

Resolved, That the clerks appointed and to be appointed for the various committees, or groups of committees, shall receive the same compensation as a member of this House, to wit: Three dollars per day and no more.

Recommending that the substitute be concurred in, and that the substitute do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

CHARLES SMITH,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the report,

The report was adopted.

By the committee on Education:

The committee on Education, to whom was referred

House bill No. 8, entitled

A bill to authorize the board of education of the union school district of Bay City to issue bonds, payable at a future date with interest.

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. BEMIS,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Lee,
The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Fleischhauer	Mr. Otis
Allison	Fuller	Pearson
Alward	Gibson	Peek
Anderson	Gillam	Perry
Babcock, C. G.	Goodell	Peters
Babcock, H.	Goodyear	Petrowski
Bates	Graham	Phillips, C. C.
Belknap	Green	Phillips, M. F.
Bemis	Gustin	Powers
Billings	Hammond	Putney
Bricker	Harris	Reed
Bryan	Herrig	Rulison
Buskirk	Hofmeister	Scully
Cahoon	Jackson	Shepard, F. M.
Caldwell	January	Shepherd, F.
Camburn	Kelly	Shisler
Campbell	Kimmis	Smith
Chamberlain	Lee	Stewart
Clark	Lusk	Tefft
Clute	Madill	Van Camp
Coad	Marsilje	Vought
Colvin	Mayer	Washer.
Connors	McGill	Weier
Cousins	Miller	Wetherbee
Crippen	Molster	Widoe
Dickinson, J. H.	Moore, E. W.	Williams
Dickinson, L. D.	Moore, M. G.	Wing
Donovan	Niedermeier	Zimmerman
Edgar	Oberdorffer	Speaker <i>pro tem.</i>
Elkhoff	O'Dett	

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Donovan,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on State Affairs:

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred the subject of "junketing" referred to by our Speaker in outlining the work to be done, has been carefully considered in detail, and especially the subject named above, "The Junket Trip." We have no disposition to question the

honesty of purpose of any member of previous session, or of this, in regard to the best way to obtain the information necessary pertaining to the State institutions. We are well aware that this custom has prevailed for a long time; also that our constituents are demanding that we abandon the old custom and resort to a more advanced means by which the best results can be achieved. We are fully convinced that the best way for committees to do is for each committee to visit its institutions in a body without notification, or knowledge of any institution, when the time arrives, pursue and perform the duties assigned them.

In conclusion would most heartily commend and endorse the advice given by our worthy Speaker and would recommend that the junket trip be abandoned and relegated to the history of the past; also, that the clerk keep a record of the absence of the committees and that not more than one committee to the upper peninsula and three to the lower peninsula be absent at the same time, and that no legislation of a local nature in which any absent member is interested shall be enacted.

HENRY LEE, Chairman.

ROBERT ALWARD.

JOS. H. DICKINSON.

JOHN DONOVAN.

S. L. VAN CAMP.

JAS. CONNORS.

E. S. WILLIAMS.

W. R. EDGAR.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the report,

Mr. Perry moved that the report be adopted, and

On that motion demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded, and pending the calling of the roll,

Mr. Kelly moved that the report be laid on the table.

On this motion,

Mr. Fuller demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded, and the motion that the report be laid on the table did not prevail by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Bates	Mr. Colvin	Mr. Oberdorffer	
Bemis	Crippen	O'Dett	
Bryan	Fleischhauer	Peek	
Buskirk	Gillam	Peters	
Caldwell	Harris	Rullison	
Chamberlain	January	Shepherd, F.	
Coad	Kelly	Smith	21

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Mr. Adams	Mr. Goodell	Mr. Perry
Allison	Goodyear	Petrowski
Alward	Graham	Phillips, C. C.
Anderson	Green	Phillips, M. F.
Babcock, C. G.	Gustin	Powers

Mr. Babcock, H.	Mr. Hammond	Mr. Putney
Belknap	Herrig	Reed
Billings	Hofmeister	Savage
Bricker	Jackson	Scully
Cahoon	Kimmis	Shepard, F. M.
Camburn	Lee	Shisler
Campbell	Lusk	Stewart
Clark	Madill	Tefft
Clute	Marsilje	Van Camp
Connors	Mayer	Vought
Cousins	McGill	Washer
Dickinson, J. H.	Miller	Weier
Dickinson, L. D.	Molster	Wetherbee
Donovan	Moore, E. W.	Widoe
Edgar	Moore, M. G.	Williams
Eikhoff	Niedermeyer	Wing
Fuller	Otis	Zimmerman
Gibson	Pearson	Speaker

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The question again being on the adoption of the report,

Mr. Kelly moved that the consideration of the report be made the special order for Tuesday next at 2 o'clock p. m.

Mr. Lusk moved that the motion that the report be made the special order be laid upon the table;

Which motion did not prevail.

The motion that the consideration of the report be made the special order for Tuesday next, at 2 o'clock p. m., did not then prevail, two-thirds of the members present not voting therefor.

The question again being on the adoption of the report,

Mr. Edgar offered the following substitute for the report:

That this House do not adjourn for the purpose of visiting the State institutions, but that this subject be left with the Speaker of the House, to fix the time that such committees shall make such visits; also to determine the number of committees that shall be absent at any one time.

Mr. Kelly moved that the substitute be laid on the table;

Which motion did not prevail.

The question then being on agreeing to the substitute.

Mr. Adams demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded and the substitute was agreed to by yeas and nays as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Alward	Mr. Gibson	Mr. Peek
Anderson	Goodyear	Perry
Babcock, O. G.	Graham	Phillips, M. F.
Babcock, H.	Gustin	Powers
Belknap	Hammond	Putney
Billings	Harris	Savage
Bricker	Herrig	Scully
Cahoon	Hofmeister	Shepard, F. M.
Camburn	Jackson	Shisler

Mr. Campbell	Mr. January	Mr. Stewart
Clark	Kimmlis	Tefft
Clute	Lee	Van Camp
Coad	Lusk	Vought
Colvin	Madill	Washer
Connors	McGill	Weier
Cousins	Moore, E. W.	Wetherbee
Dickinson, L. D.	O'Dett	Widoe
Donovan	Otis	Williams
Dudley	Pearson	Zimmerman
Edgar		

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Mr. Adams	Mr. Foster	Mr. Niedermeier
Bates	Fuller	Oberdorffer
Bemis	Gillam	Peters
Bryan	Goodell	Petrowski
Buskirk	Green	Phillips, C. C.
Caldwell	Kelly	Reed
Chamberlain	Marsilje	Rulison
Dickinson, J. H.	Mayer	Shepherd, F.
Eikhoff	Molster	Smith
Fleischhauer	Moore, M. G.	Wing

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The question then being on the adoption of the report as amended by the substitute,

Mr. Gillam moved that the House take a recess until 1:30 p. m.;

Which motion did not prevail.

The question being on the adoption of the report as amended by the substitute,

The report was then adopted by yeas and nays as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Allison	Mr. Gillam	Mr. Peek
Alward	Goodyear	Perry
Anderson	Graham	Peters
Babcock, O. G.	Green	Petrowski
Babcock, H.	Gustin	Phillips, C. C.
Belknap	Hammond	Phillips, M. F.
Bemis	Harris	Powers
Billings	Herrig	Putney
Bricker	Hofmeister	Reed
Cahoon	Jackson	Savage
Caldwell	January	Scully
Camburn	Kimmlis	Shepard, F. M.
Campbell	Lee	Shisler
Clark	Lusk	Stewart
Clute	Madill	Tefft
Coad	Marsilje	Van Camp
Connors	Mayer	Vought
Cousins	McGill	Washer
Crippen	Moore, E. W.	Weier

Mr. Dickinson, J. H.	Mr. Moore, M. G.	Mr. Wetherbee
Dickinson, L. D.	Niedermeyer	Widoe
Donovan	Oberdorffer	Williams
Edgar	O'Dett	Wing
Fuller	Otis	Zimmerman
Gibson	Pearson	

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Mr. Adams	Mr. Colvin	Mr. Kelly
Bates	Eikhoff	Molster
Bryan	Fleischhauer	Rulison
Buskirk	Foster	Shepherd, F.
Chamberlain	Goodell	Smith

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REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

By the special committee on Printing Governor's Message:

The special committee appointed to consider the subject of the printing of the messages of the outgoing and incoming Governors, Respectfully report the following resolution relative thereto:

Resolved, That the messages of Gov. Rich and Gov. Pingree be printed in one book and bound the same as the Manual of Michigan, for the year of 1895, and that 1,000 of the same shall be distributed as follows by the Secretary of State:

Township libraries, 484; city libraries, 200; State libraries, 16; members of House and Senate, 300;

Recommending that the resolution be adopted, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY EIKHOFF,

Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution reported by the committee:

On motion of Mr. Gillam,

The resolution was laid on the table.

By the special committee on mileage:

The special committee on mileage of members and employes of the House, have had the same under consideration and have directed me to make the following report of mileage due the members and employes of the house:

Names of members and mileage:

	Miles.
E. J. Adams, Kent county.....	136
F. W. Allison, Livingston county.....	84
Robert Alward, Ottawa county.....	160
J. H. Anderson, Kent county.....	130
John Atkinson, Wayne county.....	180
C. G. Babcock, Branch county.....	192
H. Babcock, Eaton county.....	68
William B. Bates, Genesee county.....	100

	Miles.
L. E. Balknap, Tuscola county.....	200
Arthur L. Bemis, Montcalm county.....	140
S. M. Billings, Marquette county.....	850
W. F. Bricker, Ionia county.....	112
E. B. Bryan, Wayne county.....	206
Henry F. Buskirk, Allegan county.....	176
David J. Cahoon, Isabella county.....	180
J. Caldwell, Wexford county.....	364
Thomas M. Camburn, Lenawee county.....	160
John K. Campbell, Washtenaw county.....	182
F. C. Chamberlain, Gogebic county.....	1,418
J. N. Clark, Mason county.....	364
Henry L. Clute, Calhoun county.....	144
M. Coad, Ingham county.....	30
B. Colvin, Saginaw county.....	114
James Conners, Chippewa county.....	542
James Cousins, Hillsdale county.....	150
George D. Orippen, Iron county.....	1,248
George B. Davis, Macomb county.....	222
J. H. Dickinson, Wayne county.....	180
L. D. Dickinson, Eaton county.....	48
John Donovan, Bay county.....	160
H. J. Dudley, Newaygo county.....	250
William R. Edgar, Lenawee county.....	216
Henry Eikhoff, Wayne county.....	180
A. M. Fleischbauer, Osceola county.....	300
C. E. Foote, Kalamazoo county.....	210
W. H. Foster, Grand Traverse county.....	426
O. B. Fuller, Delta county.....	1,172
Samuel Gibson, St. Joseph county.....	262
George E. Gillam, Iosco county.....	400
Solon Goodell, Wayne county.....	184
Samuel C. Goodyear, Genesee county.....	86
William D. Gordon, Midland county.....	176
R. D. Graham, Kent county.....	136
C. M. Green, St. Clair county.....	234
Henry K. Gustin, Alpena county.....	472
D. J. Hammond, Oakland county.....	170
Willam Harris, Antrim county.....	576
Peter Herrig, Saginaw county.....	134
C. A. Hofmeister, Tuscola county.....	198
Chester E. Jackson, Clinton county.....	136
W. L. January, Wayne county.....	180
W. D. Kelly, Muskegon county.....	258
James Kerr, Saginaw county.....	134
Austin N. Kimmis, Oakland county.....	148
Henry Lee, Lapeer county.....	140
Geo. P. Lusk, Bay county.....	154
J. B. Madill, Huron county.....	360
Isaac Marsilje, Ottawa county.....	184

	Miles.
S. N. Mayer, Ingham county.....	14
C. W. McGill, Kent county.....	138
Chester A. Miller, Montcalm county.....	118
Walter E. Molster, Wayne county.....	180
Miller G. Moore, Wayne county.....	180
E. W. Moore, Calhoun county.....	92
A. Weidermeier, Monroe county.....	230
Wm. J. Oberdorffer, Menominee county.....	1,076
Lewis O'Dett, St. Clair county.....	262
Lauren F. Otis, Allegan county.....	214
Richard Pearson, Sanilac county.....	348
A. J. Peek, Jackson county.....	78
Chas. W. Perry, Manistee county.....	430
Wm. Peters, Marquette county.....	936
Chas. Petrowski, Wayne county.....	180
C. C. Phillips, Van Buren county.....	256
M. F. Phillips, Cass county.....	294
James Powers, Kalamazoo county.....	128
Elmore Putney, Sanilac county.....	292
Geo. W. Reed, Mecosta county.....	230
Wm. A. Rowley, Macomb county.....	208
Geo. W. Rulison, Houghton county.....	1,048
Hiram A. Savage, Saginaw county.....	134
Andrew J. Sawyer, Washtenaw county.....	158
James Scully, Ionia county.....	80
Francis M. Shepard, Shiawassee county.....	72
Frank Shepherd, Cheboygan county.....	500
J. W. Shisler, Kent county.....	166
Chas. Smith, Houghton county.....	1,058
A. E. Stewart, Wayne county.....	180
L. A. Stoneman, Wayne county.....	180
Henry N. Tefft, Jackson county.....	96
Saunders L. Van Camp, Berrien county.....	364
Dewitt Vought, Gratiot county.....	144
John Washer, Bay county.....	162
A. J. Weier, Monroe county.....	250
Wm. H. Wetherbee, Wayne county.....	180
Chas. E. Whitney, Muskegon county.....	264
John F. Widoe, Oceana county.....	334
E. S. Williams, Berrien county.....	320
Myron Wing, Barry county.....	126
H. M. Zimmerman, St. Clair county.....	300
R. H. Gibson, Sergeant-at-Arms.....	122
W. E. Stocking, First Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms.....	172
Tyler Carmer, Second Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms.....	332
James O. Palmer, Third Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms.....	154
Joseph W. Allen, Chief Janitor.....	210
Oliver Watkins, First Assistant Janitor.....	126
W. R. Rutson, Second Assistant Janitor.....	178
Abe Phelps, Third Assistant Janitor.....	226
C. W. Loring, Fourth Assistant Janitor.....	54

	Miles.
Homer Herst, Fifth Assistant Janitor.....	550
O. Convis, Sixth Assistant Janitor.....	148
H. Rutledge, Seventh Assistant Janitor.....	262
D. Benjamin, Eighth Assistant Janitor.....	34
J. E. Ahvens, Ninth Assistant Janitor.....	16
Mary Bowman, Tenth Assistant Janitress.....	130
George Bouton, Cloak Room Keeper.....	180
Francis Johnson, Assistant Cloak Room Keeper.....	190
S. L. Dickinson, Committee Room Messenger.....	180
Miss Jennie Ferguson, Speaker's Clerk.....	176
Paul Taylor, Speaker's Messenger.....	228
O. M. Otis, Sergeant-at-Arms' Messenger.....	214
Chester P. Pryor, Enrolling Messenger.....	90
Ben Hays, Document Room Messenger.....	210
Frank B. Gilbert, Page.....	180
Roy Peerson, Page.....	348
Ralph V. Edgar, Page.....	216
I. Leeland, Page.....	160
Arthur S. Johnson, Page.....	76
Eddie Schreuser, Page.....	180
Blanford Pauson, Page.....	160
Harry T. Graves, Page.....	320
Joseph Kelly, Page.....	214
Harry Lyon, Page.....	334
Harry Thayer, Page.....	90
H. A. Hopkins, Press Clerk.....	288
George W. Presley, Document Room Keeper.....	1,418
William Sheier, Committee Clerk.....	180
L. E. Hawley, Assistant Enrolling Clerk.....	66
Frank W. Redfern, Assistant Enrolling Clerk.....	170
Francis W. Redfern, Enrolling Clerk.....	170
Charles Pratt, Committee Clerk.....	132
Edw. A. Stimson, Postmaster.....	102
Frank Benton, Postmaster's Messenger.....	88
Albert E. Manning, Committee Clerk.....	472
C. Beach, Committee Clerk.....	192
A. H. Lee, Committee Clerk.....	138
F. T. Johnson, Committee Clerk.....	360
J. D. Sumner, Reading Clerk.....	210
M. T. Murray, Financial Clerk.....	152
Charles W. Malleck, Committee Clerk.....	1,172
Lewis M. Miller, Clerk.....	2
Louis J. May, Clerks' Messenger.....	468
Fred Z. Hamilton, Corresponding Clerk.....	40
Henry Hagens, Journal Clerk's Messenger.....	134

WILLIAM D. KELLY,
WILLIAM HARRIS,
JAMES SCULLY.

Committee.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the report,
The report was adopted.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STATE OFFICERS.

STATE OF MICHIGAN,
ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE.
Lansing, January 14, 1897.

To Hon. William D. Gordon, Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have the honor of announcing that, in accordance with the power vested in me by resolution of the Senate (duly concurred in by your honorable body), I have appointed James Nelson Maynard messenger for my office during the session of the legislature.

Yours respectfully,

FRED A. MAYNARD,

Attorney General.

The communication was ordered spread on the Journal.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 14, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following concurrent resolution:

WHEREAS, There is now pending in Congress a bill (H. R. 4339) to establish a National Military Park to commemorate the campaign, siege and defense of Vicksburg; and

WHEREAS, The operations that culminated almost simultaneously at Gettysburg and Vicksburg in July, 1863, not only mark the turning point in the war of the rebellion, but also constitute one of the greatest epochs in the history of our country, and should both be commemorated in the most impressive and enduring manner possible; and

WHEREAS, The establishment of a National Military Park at Vicksburg will be a most fitting and appropriate monument to the great commander whose genius planned these operations and directed them to a successful issue; and

WHEREAS, The State of Michigan has an especial interest in this bill for the reason that of her gallant soldiers seven regiments of infantry and two batteries of artillery participated in the operations it is intended to commemorate; therefore

Resolved by the House (the Senate concurring), That the legislature of the State of Michigan by this concurrent resolution asks that the above named bill (H. R. 4339) be passed during this session of Congress and requests the Senators and members of the House of Representatives in Congress from Michigan to labor earnestly for its passage; and the Secretary of State is hereby directed to send a certified copy of this resolution to the Senators and members of the House of Representatives

from Michigan, to the Hon. Thomas B. Reed, Speaker of the House of Representatives, and to the Hon. John A. F. Hull, chairman of the House committee on Military Affairs, and to the Senators and Representatives in Congress from this State;

In the adoption of which the Senate has concurred.

Very respectfully,

CHARLES S. PIERCE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The resolution was then referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment, and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 15, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved by the Senate (the House concurring), That when the legislature adjourns, on Friday, the 22d inst., it stands adjourned until Tuesday, February 2d inst., at 2 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of giving the several committees of the State Institutions an opportunity to visit said institutions and to inquire into their condition and necessities;

Which has been adopted by the Senate, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

CHARLES S. PIERCE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The question being on concurring in the adoption of the resolution,
The adoption of the resolution was not concurred in.

NOTICES.

Mr. Kimmis gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of act No. 135, of the public acts of 1885, entitled "An act to amend, revise and consolidate the laws organizing asylums for the insane, and regulating the care and management thereof, and of the inmates therein, and to repeal act 164, laws of 1859, also act 194, laws of 1877, also act 91, laws of 1873, and the acts amendatory thereto; also act 172, laws of 1873, approved June 3, 1885, the same being Sec. 1930a1, Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan."

Mr. Pearson gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the construction and maintenance of drains, and the assessment and collection of taxes therefor.

Mr. Anderson gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to revise the charter of the city of Grand Rapids.

Mr. Edgar gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of act 108, of the public acts of 1889, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of trust, deposit and security companies, and to repeal act 58, of the session laws of 1871, approved March 29, 1871, entitled 'An act to provide for the incorporation of trust, deposit and security companies,' being chapter 88, of Howell's annotated statutes; also to repeal act 123, of session laws of 1883, approved May 25, 1883, entitled 'An act to amend section 9 of act 58, of session laws of 1871,' approved March 29, 1871, being compiler's Sec. 2290, relative to the corporate rights of trust, deposit and security companies.'"

Mr. W. R. Edgar gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the registration of physicians and surgeons.

Mr. Chamberlain moved to take from the table the following:

Authorizing the Auditor General to procure the necessary books and to make and furnish the county of Ontonagon a tax history for said county:

WHEREAS, All records in the office of the county treasurer of Ontonagon county were burned on the 25th day of August, 1896; and

WHEREAS, Said records are necessary for the protection of titles to land in said county and for the collection of taxes on lands which have been returned by said county for non-payment of taxes assessed thereon; and

WHEREAS, Said records can only be replaced by making copies of the records in the Auditor General's department, and the said county of Ontonagon has no funds for payment of the expense incident to the making of such copies; therefore

Resolved by the House (the Senate concurring), That the Auditor General be and he is hereby authorized to procure the necessary books and to make and deliver to the county treasurer of the county of Ontonagon a tax history for said county to and including the 31st day of December, 1896, and that the Board of State Auditors audit and allow the expense thereof as other expenses of said department are audited and allowed, and that said expense be paid out of the general fund;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain,

The resolution was referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

On motion of Mr. Gustin,

The House took a recess until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock p. m.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

Mr. M. W. Moore offered the following:

Resolved, That when the House adjourns this afternoon, it stand adjourned until 3:30 o'clock p. m. on Monday afternoon.

Mr. Fleischhauer moved to amend the resolution by making the hour 8 o'clock p. m;

Which motion prevailed.

The resolution as amended was not then adopted.

The House resumed the order of

NOTICES.

Mr. Graham gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A joint resolution authorizing the payment to the county of Kent of moneys expended for Henry O. Barker, an indigent insane soldier, at the Kalamazoo asylum.

Mr. Graham gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend act No. 108, laws of 1895, entitled "An act to prevent the spreading of bush, vine and fruit tree pests."

Mr. Reed gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 131 of act No. 206 of the public acts of 1893 entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased, and parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act."

Mr. Gustin gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to organize the county of Montmorency into townships.

Mr. Gustin gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to organize the county of Oscoda into townships.

Mr. Gustin gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the registration of the electors of the city of Alpena.

Mr. Goodyear gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act 205 of public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to regulate the admission to practice of attorneys, solicitors and counselors, to provide for a board of examiners and to repeal conflicting acts."

Mr. Bricker gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide interchangeable telephone service and to regulate the price of telephones and to provide against consolidation of telephone companies.

Mr. Donovan gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to prescribe the duties and fix the compensation of certain county officers in the county of Bay.

Mr. McGill gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the village of White Pigeon.

Mr. Oberdorffer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend chapter 328 of Howell's annotated statutes of this State, entitled "Firing of woods and prairies," by adding three new sections thereto to stand as sections 9404a, 9404b and 9404c.

Mr. Green gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Secs. 5691 and 5716, being compiler's numbers of Howell's annotated statutes, and to repeal the provisions in said sections relative to the county of St. Clair.

Mr. Graham gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to establish a county insane asylum in the county of Kent.

Mr. Van Camp gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of an act entitled "An act to protect fish and regulate fishing in the waters of this State by prohibiting the use of seines, pound nets, gill nets, and other fixed or set nets, with meshes below certain sizes; and regulating the use of such nets and to repeal inconsistent acts," approved June 8, 1889, being consecutive sections 2173b of the 3d volume of Howell's annotated statutes.

Mr. Gustin gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the registration of electors in the various townships of the State of Michigan.

Mr. Billings gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to protect persons engaged in the propagation and culture of fish in certain waters, and authorizing persons so engaged to take fish in such waters and to dispose of and sell such fish in such manner as they choose, and requiring persons prosecuted for selling or having in their possession fish out of season, to show that they come within the provisions of this act, and providing a penalty for its violation and to repeal inconsistent acts.

Mr. Marsilje gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend act No. 161, of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to require county treasurers to furnish transcripts and abstracts of records, and fixing the fees to be paid therefor."

Mr. Peters gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to place building and loan associations under the supervision of the Bank Commissioner.

Mr. Gustin gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to revise and amend act No. 380 of the local acts of 1889.

Mr. Gustin gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Secs. 12 and 13, of chapter 124, revised statutes 1846, entitled action of replevin, said section being Secs. 8326 and 8327, of Howell's annotated statutes.

Mr. Gustin gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 1, of an act to authorize proceedings against garnishees and for other purposes, approved March 28, 1849, being Sec. 8031, of Howell's annotated statutes.

Mr. Gibson gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to protect fish and to regulate fishing in the lakes and streams in the county of St. Joseph, in the State of Michigan.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Chamberlain, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 23, entitled

A bill making an appropriation for relief of the sufferers by the great fire of August, 1896, in Ontonagon village, and to pay the bonded indebtedness of the village, school district and township of Ontonagon, in this State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and was referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Buskirk, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 24, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 8, chapter 112 of Howell's statutes, entitled "Water power companies," being compiler's Sec. 3881 of Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and was referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Wetherbee, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 25, entitled

A bill to provide for the purchase of books and equipments for the Michigan State Library and Michigan traveling libraries.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and was referred to the committee on State Library.

Mr. Wetherbee, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 26, entitled

A bill to provide for the testimony of a husband and wife in certain cases, and to repeal all existing acts and parts of acts conflicting with the provisions of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and was referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Wetherbee, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 27, entitled

A bill to provide for the registration of deaths in Michigan and requiring certificates of death and to repeal all of that part of act No. 194 of

1867, as amended by act No. 125 of 1869, relating to the collection and return of deaths inconsistent with this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Wetherbee, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 28, entitled

A bill to protect the owners of bottles, boxes, syphons, fountains and kegs, used in the sale of milk, cream, soda water, mineral or aerated waters, porter, ale, cider, ginger ale, small beer, larger beer, Weiss beer, beer, white beer, or other beverages.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Coad, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 29, entitled

A bill to enable the township of Leroy, in Ingham county, to pay for certain bridges constructed in said township in the year 1891, yet unpaid for, owing to illegalities in the proceedings of the commissioner of highways of said township of Leroy, in procuring their construction.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Coad,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Donovan	Mr. Pearson
Allison	Eikhoff	Peek
Alward	Fleischhauer	Perry
Anderson	Fuller	Peters
Babcock, C. G.	Gibson	Petrowski
Bates	Gillam	Phillips, C. C.
Belknap	Goodyear	Phillips, M. F.
Bemis	Graham	Powers
Billings	Green	Putney
Bricker	Gustin	Reed
Bryan	Harris	Rulison
Buskirk	Herrig	Savage
Caboon	Hofmeister	Scully
Caldwell	Jackson	Shepherd, F.
Camburn	Kelly	Shisler
Campbell	Kimmis	Smith
Chamberlain	Lee	Stewart
Clark	Lusk	Stoneman
Clute	Marsilje	Tefft
Coad	Mayer	Van Camp
Colvin	McGill	Vought
Connors	Miller	Weler

Mr. Cousins	Mr. Molster	Mr. Wetherbee	
Crippen	Oberdorffer	Widoe	
Dickinson, J. H.	O'Dett	Zimmerman	
Dickinson, L. D.	Otis	Speaker	78

NAYS.

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Coad,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Anderson, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 30, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 1 and 4 of "Act No. 81, laws of 1873, entitled 'An act to establish a State Board of Health, to provide for the appointment of a Superintendent of Vital Statistics, and to assign certain duties to local boards of health.' Approved April 12, 1873."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Public Health.

Mr. Lusk, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 31, entitled

A bill to provide for public notice and opportunity for a public hearing before the mayor and common council of any city of the first, second, third and fourth class, concerning all special or general city laws, relating to said city.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Atkinson, by Mr. Wetherbee, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 32, entitled

A bill relating to negotiable instruments (being an act to establish a law uniform with the laws of other states on that subject).

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Atkinson, by Mr. Wetherbee, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 33, entitled

A bill to promote the establishment and efficiency of free public libraries.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Library.

Mr. Atkinson, by Mr. Wetherbee, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 34, entitled

A bill to amend the general railroad law relative to meetings of stockholders, being Sec. 3, of article 2, of act No. 198 of the session laws of 1875, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of railroad companies, and to regulate the running and management, and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroads and other corporations owning and operating any railroad in this State," as said act was amended by act No. 61, of the session laws of 1875.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Railroads.

Mr. Atkinson, per Mr. Wetherbee, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 35, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 9 of chapter 26 of the compiled laws of 1857, entitled "Of the regulation of ferries," as amended, being Sec. 1469 of Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Atkinson, per Mr. Wetherbee, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 36, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 45 of chapter 158 of the compiled laws of 1871, as amended by act No. 92, public acts of 1885, the same being Sec. 5932 of the third volume of Howell's annotated statutes, relating to the payment of debts and legacies of deceased persons.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Atkinson, per Mr. Wetherbee, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 37, entitled

A bill to provide for the preservation of forests in the State of Michigan, and for the prevention and suppression of forest and other fires.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Public Lands.

Mr. Atkinson, per Mr. Wetherbee, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 38, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 38 of chapter 158 of the compiled laws of 1871, the same being Sec. 5925 of Howell's annotated statutes relative to the payment of debts and legacies of deceased persons.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Graham, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 39, entitled

A bill to add a new section to stand as Sec. 47 to chapter 170 of the compiled laws of Michigan of 1871, being chapter 237 of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan relative to divorce.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Weier, previous notice having been given and leave beng granted, introduced

House bill No. 40, entitled

A bill to define the rights of employes of railroad corporations (including street railway corporations), to determine the liability of such corporations to its employes for injuries resulting from the negligence of employes of such corporations.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committees on Labor and Railroads.

Mr. Bryan, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 41, entitled

A bill to prohibit the shooting of wild fowl by persons on board of any floating device, which employs as motive power steam, gas, naptha, oil or electricity.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fish and Game.

Mr. Edgar, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 42, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 4 of act No. 193 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to prohibit and prevent adulteration, fraud and deception in the manufacture and sale of articles of food and drink."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Public Health.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Fuller offered the following:

Resolved, That when the House adjourn today it stand adjourned until 4 p. m. on Monday, the 18th;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Chamberlain offered the following:

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That a joint committee of five from the House, and five from the Senate, be appointed to report a joint recommendation concerning the advisability of taking an adjournment for the purpose of permitting the legislative committees to visit the various State institutions;

Which was not adopted.

Mr. Bates offered the following:

Resolved, That the thanks of the members of the House be cordially extended to the Hon. J. C. Burrows, United States Senator from this State, for his thoughtfulness and generosity in sending to each of them a handsomely bound copy of the constitution, manual and digest of the Congress of the United States;

Which was unanimously adopted.

Mr. Mayer offered the following:

Resolved, That the stenographer to be employed by the special committee on the contested election case of Baird vs. Kerr shall not receive to exceed five dollars (\$5) per day during the sitting of such committee, and that no extra compensation shall be paid for transcribing the notes taken.

Mr. Chamberlain moved that the resolution do lie on the table;

Which motion did not prevail.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

Mr. Mayer demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was not seconded.

The resolution was then not adopted.

Mr. Bemis offered the following:

Resolved, That the pay of committee clerks of this House shall date from the time of appointment of such clerks;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Donovan moved to suspend the rule limiting the time within which a motion to reconsider a vote may be made;

Which motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor.

Mr. Donovan moved to reconsider the vote by which the House concurred in the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved by the Senate (the House concurring), That the State Printer be instructed to forward one copy of the Daily Journal to each daily and weekly newspaper published within the State, and to each State officer, or member of State commission, supreme, circuit and probate judge, county clerk, county treasurer, register of deeds, prosecuting attorney, circuit court commissioner, and to each public library, board of trade, superior and recorder's court in the State, and to each county school commissioner and superintendent of each union school in the State, and that the amount of postage on such copies of said Journal be paid by the State Treasurer on the warrant of the Auditor General, on the presentation of bills duly certified by the postmaster at Lansing, and by the State Printer, showing that such stamps have been purchased and used only for the payment of postage on said copies of said Journal hereby ordered to be distributed;

For which the house had agreed to the following substitute:

Resolved by the House (the Senate concurring), That the Secretary of State be instructed to forward without compensation one copy of the Daily Journal to each daily and weekly newspaper published within the State, and to each State officer or member of State commission, supreme, circuit and probate judge, county clerk, county treasurer, register of deeds, prosecuting attorney, circuit court commissioner, and to each public library, each trades and labor library in the State, board of trade, superior and recorder's court in the State, and to each county school commissioner and superintendent of each union school in the State, township clerks, and not to exceed ten copies to the order of each member, and that the amount of postage on such copies of said Journal be paid by the State Treasurer on the warrant of the Auditor General, on the presentation of bills duly certified by the postmaster at Lansing, and by the State Printer, showing that such stamps have been purchased and used only for the payment of postage on said copies of said Journal hereby ordered to be distributed;

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on concurring in the adoption of the resolution as amended by the substitute,

Mr. Donovan moved to reconsider the vote by which the House agreed to the substitute;

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on agreeing to the substitute,

Mr. Donovan moved to amend the substitute by striking out the words "and by the State Printer;"

Which motion prevailed.

The question again being on agreeing to the substitute,
On motion of Mr. Donovan,
The resolution was referred to the committee on Judiciary.
Mr. Adams moved that the House adjourn,
Which motion prevailed, and
The Speaker declared the House adjourned until 4 o'clock p. m., on
Monday next.

Lansing, Monday, January 18, 1897.

The House met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the
Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Hartness.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. Atkinson, Cousins, J. H. Dickinson,
Foster, Goodyear, Herrig, January, Mayer, McGill, E. W. Moore, Otis,
Pearson, Stewart, Stoneman and Widoe.

On motion of Mr. M. G. Moore,

Leave of absence was granted to all absentees for the day.

On motion of Mr. Perry,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Stoneman until Wednesday next.

On motion of Mr. Fuller,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Foster until Monday next.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 15. By Mr. Lee: Petition of William Davenport, Enos Brownell,
John N. Gardner and 51 others of Lapeer county, asking for the passage
of a death penalty for murder in the first degree.

On demand of Mr. Lee,

The petition was read at length and spread at large on the Journal, as
follows:

Metamora, Mich., Jan. 2, 1897.

To the Honorable Henry Lee, Representative from Lapeer County:

We, the undersigned electors of the township of Metamora, State of
Michigan, do earnestly petition you to use your influence and do all that
is in your power, consistent with honesty, to revise the penal laws of this
State, so that there will be a death penalty on conviction of murder in
the first degree.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 16. By Mr. Dickinson: Petition of N. L. Curtis and 96 other citi-
zens of the village of Vermontville, Eaton county, relative to repeal of
law for collecting farm statistics.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 17. By Mr. Alward: Petition of John Jackson and 66 other citi-
zens of Coopersville, Ottawa county, against the so called "Junketing
Trip."

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 18. By Mr. Dudley: Petition of citizens of Grant village, New-aygo county, for the changing the boundaries of said village.

Mr. Dudley moved that the petition be spread at large in the Journal; Which motion did not prevail.

The petition was then referred to the committee on Village Corporations.

No. 19. By Mr. Camburn: Petition of Charles W. Sellick and 1,452 other citizens of Adrian, Lenawee county.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on Ways and Means:

The committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred a resolution offered by Mr. Donovan:

Resolved, That the Speaker be and is hereby authorized to appoint Mrs. Lottie A. Chamberlain as stenographer and typewriter in general for this honorable body;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with accompanying substitute therefor:

Resolved, That the chairman of the committee on the Revision of the Statutes is hereby empowered to appoint a stenographer for the work of this committee; also to do stenographic work for such other committees as may require his services and other work required by members of the House; said stenographer to be known as the general stenographer for the House, and who shall receive not more than three dollars per day; and

Resolved, That the clerks of standing committees when not employed on regular committee work shall perform such other work as may be required of them by the members of the House;

Recommending that the substitute be concurred in, and that the substitute do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

CHARLES SMITH,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the substitute reported by the committee,

On motion of Mr. Gustin,

The report was laid on the table.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STATE OFFICERS.

MICHIGAN
BOARD OF STATE AUDITORS,
Lansing, Jan. 13, 1897.

Hon Wm. D. Gordon, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Lansing, Mich:

Sir—The Board of State Auditors has received information, through the journal clerk of the House, of the resolution adopted January 12,

instructing the Board of State Auditors to return to the House the portrait of Zachariah Chandler.

The Board of State Auditors will be in regular session January 27, and the resolution of the House will be laid before them at that time.

Respectfully,

S. A. COMMONS,

Clerk Board of State Auditors.

The communication was laid on the table.

NOTICES.

Mr. Fleischhauer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 12 of act No. 152 of the public acts of 1891, so as have the open season for hunting partridge, etc., 30 days earlier.

Mr. Fleischhauer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to permit the catching of trout and certain other fish from the 15th day of April to the 15th day of August.

Mr. C. C. Phillips gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the act relative to the summoning of jurors for the circuit courts of this State. The same being Sec. 7568, Chap. 263, Howell's annotated statutes.

Mr. Foote gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill for an appropriation for the Michigan Asylum for the Insane.

Mr. O'Dett gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to annul the present drain law and adopt a law similar to the Ohio drain law.

Mr. Stoneman gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Secs. 1 and 5 of act No. 120 of the public acts of 1893, approved May 25, 1893, entitled "An act to amend Secs. 1 and 5 of act No. 25 of the public acts of 1887, approved March 9, 1887."

Mr. Kimmis gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill making appropriation for expenses of Central Michigan Normal School until the regular appropriation shall be made.

Mr. Oberdorffer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill authorizing circuit judges and justices of the peace to sentence to the county jail at hard labor persons convicted of petit larceny, drunkenness, vagrancy, disorderly conduct or any offense mentioned in Chap. 51 of Howell's annotated statutes and the amendments thereto.

Mr. Savage gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Secs. 5 and 12 of act 177 of the session laws of 1859, entitled "An act further to preserve the purity of elections and guard

against the abuses of the elective franchise, by a registration of electors," and also to amend Sec. 2 of act No. 4 of the session laws of 1869, entitled "An act to provide for the registration of electors in new townships," the same being Secs. 84, 91 and 98 of Howell's annotated statutes, so as to provide for a meeting of the board of registration on the third Saturday preceding election.

Mr. Savage gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of act No. 29 of the session laws of 1869, entitled "An act to regulate the manufacture and provide for the inspection of salt," being Sec. 1495 of Howell's annotated statutes.

Mr. Savage gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Secs. 1 and 2 of act No. 186 of the public acts of 1867, as amended by act No. 113 of the public acts of 1871, as amended by act No. 138 of the public acts of 1875, as amended by act No. 16 of the public acts of 1881, as amended by act No. 83 of the public acts of 1885, as amended by act No. 267 of the public acts of 1895, being an act entitled "An act to authorize dissection in certain cases, for the advancement of science."

Mr. Donovan gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to prohibit minors over the age of eight and under the age of sixteen years from being upon the public streets, parks or alleys in the cities and incorporated villages of this State during certain hours of the night.

Mr. Donovan gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for more perfectly taking the census of school children and to impose a penalty upon persons giving to the census enumerators false information.

Mr. C. G. Babcock gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for taxation of incomes.

Mr. Perry gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize and regulate the printing, publishing and distribution of documents, reports and other matters by the State.

Mr. Gillam gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to reorganize the townships of the county of Alcona and to reduce the number thereof.

Mr. F. Shepherd gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the opening of Mud creek in Hebron township, Cheboygan county, and making an appropriation of State swamp lands for the same.

Mr. F. Shepherd gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend act 202 of the public acts of 1895 relative to divorce.

Mr. F. Shepherd gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend act 176 of the public acts of 1891 relative to the organization of township school districts.

Mr. F. Shepherd gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend act 261 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to establish a normal school in central Michigan" by adding a new section thereto to be known as Sec. 4.

Mr. Petrowsky gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Chaps. 4 and 15 of charter of city of Detroit relative to board of public works.

Mr. Peters gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the incorporation of grand and subordinate courts of the Foresters of America of the State of Michigan.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Foote, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 43, entitled

A bill to change the name of Rose Theresa Sootofskie to Rose Theresa Herman.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Foote,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Dudley	Mr. O'Dett
Allison	Elkhoff	Peek
Alward	Fleischhauer	Perry
Babcock, C. G.	Foote	Peters
Babcock, H.	Fuller	Petrowski
Bates	Gibson	Phillips, C. C.
Belknap	Gillam	Phillips, M. F.
Bemis	Goodell	Powers
Billings	Graham	Putney
Bricker	Green	Reed
Bryan	Gustin	Rulison
Buskirk	Hammond	Savage
Cahoon	Harris	Shepard, F. M.
Caldwell	Hofmeister	Shepherd, F.
Camburn	Jackson	Shisler
Campbell	Kelly	Smith
Clark	Kimmis	Tefft
Clute	Lee	Van Camp
Coad	Madill	Weler

Mr. Colvin
Connors
Crippen
Dickinson, L. D.
Donovan

Mr. Molster
Moore, M. G.
Niedermeler
Oberdorffer

Mr. Wetherbee
Williams
Zimmerman
Speaker

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NAYS.

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Foote,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Edgar, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 44, entitled

A bill to provide for a board of medical examiners and the registration of physicians and surgeons.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on public health.

Mr. Edgar, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 45, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of act No. 108 of the public acts of 1889, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of trust, deposit and security companies, and to repeal act 58 of the session laws of 1871, approved March 29, 1871, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of trust, deposit and security companies" being Chap. 88 of Howell's annotated statutes; also to repeal act No. 123 of session laws of 1883, approved May 25, 1883, entitled "An act to amend Sec. 9 of act 58 of the session laws of 1871" approved March 29, 1871, being compiler's Sec. 2290, relative to corporate rights of trust, deposit and security companies."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Kimmis, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 46, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 21 of Chap. 3 of act No. 164 of the public acts for the year 1881, approved May 21, 1881, entitled "An act to revise and consolidate the laws relating to public instruction in primary schools, and to repeal all statutes and acts contravening the provisions of this act," as amended by act No. 16 of the session laws of 1895, approved March 8, 1895, entitled "An act to amend Sec. 17 and Sec. 20 of Chap. 2, Sec. 2 of Chap. 3, and Sec. 11 of Chap. 11, of act No. 164 of the public acts of 1881, being Secs. 5049, 5052, 5073 and 5146 of Howell's annotated statutes, entitled "An act to revise and consolidate the laws relating to public instruction in primary schools, and to repeal all statutes and acts contravening the provisions of this act," as amended by act No. 258 of the public acts of 1895.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Education.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Bates offered the following:

WHEREAS, The services of General Russel A. Alger during the war of the rebellion were of a character to distinguish him as a brave and successful union officer; and

WHEREAS, As the Governor of the State of Michigan in later years he served the State with the same loyalty and ability shown by him during the war; and

WHEREAS, General Alger has been mentioned as a possible member of the Cabinet of President-elect McKinley; therefore

Resolved by the House (the Senate concurring), That it is the unanimous desire of the members of the legislature, without regard to party, to have the honor of a cabinet position offered to our friend and fellow citizen.

Resolved, That after adoption this resolution be forwarded to the President elect after having been signed by the Lieut. Governor and the Speaker of this House, and that a copy also be sent to General Alger at Detroit;

Pending the order that the resolution lie over one day under the rules,
On motion of Mr. Smith,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the resolution was put upon its immediate consideration.

The resolution was then unanimously adopted.

Mr. Gustin offered the following:

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That we extend our sympathy to the Cuban people in their struggle for freedom and independence; and we request the Congress and President of the United States to recognize the Republic of Cuba as a free and independent government and to accord to the people of Cuba all the rights of a sovereign and independent government in ports and within the jurisdiction of the United States. And, we ask our Senators and Representatives in Congress to secure the recognition of the Cuban Republic by the United States of America, and that the Secretary of State be instructed to transmit a certified copy of these resolutions to the President and our Senators and Representatives in Congress;

Laid over one day under the rules.

Mr. Savage offered the following:

Resolved by the House (the Senate concurring), That we do heartily endorse the Hon. John B. Corliss in his efforts to have the emigration laws so amended as to restrict the tide of foreign labor which flows daily across our borders, robbing our citizens of employment only to return to a foreign land to invest their earnings thereby depriving our merchants of a large volume of business which they are justly entitled to; and be it further

Resolved, That the Secretary of State be and is hereby instructed to transmit a copy of this resolution to each of our Senators and Representatives at Washington, who are hereby requested to lend their influence to check this gross injustice to our citizens;

Laid over one day under the rules.

On motion of Mr. Foote,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Tuesday, January 19, 1897.

The House met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Hartness.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. Atkinson, Dudley, Goodell, January, Pearson, and Widoe,

On motion of Mr. M. G. Moore,

Leave of absence was granted to all absentees for the day.

On motion of Mr. Wetherbee,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. January until January 25th.

On motion of Mr. Kelly,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Dudley indefinitely on account of sickness.

On motion of Mr. Adams,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Widoe until January 21st.

On motion of Mr. Putney,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Pearson until January 27th.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 19. By Mr. Kimmis: Petition of Milford and Highland and Hartland Farmers' Clubs, relative to junketing, etc.

On demand of Mr. Kimmis,

The petition was read at length and spread at large on the Journal, as follows:

To the honorable members of the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan, we, who represent the farmers' clubs, bring greeting:

To supplement our efforts in the direction of economy, we hereby petition your honorable body, to so use the powers delegated to you by the people of Michigan, as to avoid all forms of extravagance in the appropriation and use of the funds of the State.

Especially, we ask you to refrain from that practice of junketing which constitutes the chief claims to distinction of your immediate predecessors in these halls, not only because the practice involves a wanton waste of the wealth of your constituents, but because it ill befits the custodians of the people's interests, honor and dignity to become the guests of the individuals and corporations expectant of legislative favors or bounty.

We further petition your honorable body to abolish all offices not essential to the economical administration of the State government, and to make such reductions of official salaries as will in some degree correspond to the present progressive shrinkage in the money value of industrial wages and products.

Adopted by Milford Farmers' Club, held Dec. 2. 1896.

Adopted by Highland and Hartland Farmers' Club, Jan. 2, 1897.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 20. By Mr. L. D. Dickinson: Petition of 161 citizens of Bellevue township, Eaton county, for repeal of law relative to collection of farm statistics.

Referred to committee on Agriculture.

No. 21. By Mr. Cousins: Petition of Henry McEwing and 70 others, asking the repeal of all laws relative to the collection, compilation and publishing of farm statistics.

Referred to committee on Agriculture.

No. 22. By Mr. Cousins: Petition of Jasper Simonds and 101 others asking the repeal of all laws relative to the collection, compilation and publishing farm statistics.

Referred to committee on Agriculture.

No. 23. By Mr. Cousins: Petition of A. L. Norton and 91 others asking the repeal of all laws relative to the collection, compilation and publishing of farm statistics.

Referred to committee on Agriculture.

No. 24. By Mr. Cousins: Petition of Jonathan Blurton and 155 others asking the repeal of all laws relative to the collection, compilation and publishing of farm statistics.

Referred to committee on Agriculture.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor,

House bill No. 12, entitled

A bill to legalize the proceedings of the Oakland County Agricultural Society to sell its real estate;

For which your committee hold the receipt of the Executive Office dated Jan. 19, 1897, at 10 o'clock a. m.

GEO. E. GILLAM,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor,

Concurrent resolution asking for the passage by the Congress of the United States of (H. R. 4,339), relative to the establishment of a National military park at Vicksburg, Mississippi;

For which your committee hold the receipt of the Executive Office dated January 19, 1897, at 10 o'clock a. m.

GEO. E. GILLAM,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 18, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following concurrent resolution:

WHEREAS, The citizens of Michigan, ever anxious for the advancement of the best interests of their noble commonwealth, have learned with feelings of intense gratification, that there is a possibility of an advancement to a cabinet position under the incoming administration of her most favored and distinguished son; therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate (the House concurring), That we cherish with jealous pride the history of the achievements of Gen. Russell A. Alger as soldier and hero of the rebellion. That we contemplate with admiration his wise and statesman-like administration of the affairs of the State as Governor.

That we, as representatives of the whole people of the State of Michigan, express to the President-elect our earnest approval of the contemplated appointment, believing that the conduct of national affairs will be distinguished through his attainments.

Resolved, That these resolutions be endorsed by the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House, and that a copy be forwarded to the President-elect, to each of our Representatives in the National Senate and National House of Representatives, and to General Alger;

Which has been adopted by the Senate, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

CHARLES S. PIERCE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The question being on concurring in the adoption of the resolutions,
On motion of Mr. Bates,
The resolutions were laid on the table.

NOTICES.

Mr. M. G. Moore gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce, by request,

A bill relative to the manner by which servant girls may quit or be dismissed by their employers.

Mr. M. G. Moore gave notice that at same future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. No. 1 of act No. 264 of the session laws of 1889, entitled "An act relative to disorderly persons," and to repeal Chap. 53 of the compiled laws of 1871, as amended by the several acts amendatory thereof.

Mr. Connors gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Sault Ste. Marie.

Mr. Hammond gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill making an appropriation for the current expenses of the Michigan Soldiers' Home, and for the Home for Soldiers, Sailors and Marines, who served in the late civil war, their wives and mothers, for the years 1897 and 1898.

Mr. Fuller gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 502 of Howell's annotated statutes, relative to compensation of supervisors.

Mr. C. C. Phillips gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the law relative to the inspection and cleaning of drains previously established, the same being Sec. 1704, Chap. 40, Howell's annotated statutes, as amended by act 204 of the public acts of 1893, and previous amendments.

Mr. Donovan gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 95 of the public acts of 1895, approved April 26, 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the compulsory education of children, for the punishment of truancy," and to repeal all acts or parts of acts conflicting with the provisions of the same.

Mr. Graham gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill providing for a board of commissioners for the purpose of making a selection, or procuring the compilation of a uniform series of textbooks for use in all the common schools of this State.

Mr. Reed gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to legalize certain bonds of the county of Mecosta.

Mr. Madill gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 15 of Chap. 35 of the revised statutes of 1846, relative to the preservation of the public health, quarantine, nuisances and offensive trades, being Sec. 1647 of Howell's annotated statutes, and also to amend Sec. 1 of Public Acts of 1895 in so far as they relate to the county of Huron, and to compel the several townships in said county of Huron to assume and pay all charges and expenses incurred in caring for persons infected with small-pox or other sickness dangerous to the public health.

Mr. Clute gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to repeal the law creating the board of review of the supervisors' assessment rolls.

Mr. Clute gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to consolidate the road districts in townships and to elect overseers of highways by ballot; also to amend the law relative to the assessment of highway taxes.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Kimmis, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 47, entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the current and running expenses of the Central Michigan Normal School until the general appropriation for that purpose shall be available.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Kimmis,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Elkhoff	Mr. Niedermeier
Allison	Fleischhauer	Oberdorffer
Alward	Foote	O'Dett
Babcock, O. G.	Fuller	Otis
Babcock, H.	Gibson	Peek
Bates	Gillam	Perry
Belknap	Goodell	Peters
Bemis	Goodyear	Petrowski
Billings	Graham	Phillips, C. C.
Bricker	Green	Phillips, M. F.
Bryan	Gustin	Powers
Buskirk	Hammond	Putney
Cahoon	Harris	Reed
Caldwell	Herrig	Rulison
Camburn	Hofmeister	Savage
Campbell	Jackson	Shepard, F. M.
Clark	Kelly	Shepherd, F.
Clute	Kimmis	Shisler
Coad	Lee	Smith
Colvin	Lusk	Tefft
Connors	Marsilje	Van Camp
Cousins	Mayer	Weier
Crippen	McGill	Whitney
Davis	Miller	Williams
Dickinson, J. H.	Molster	Wing
Dickinson, L. D.	Moore, E. W.	Zimmerman
Donovan	Moore, M. G.	Speaker

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Kimmis,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Bricker, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 48, entitled

A bill to compel the coloring of oleomargarine and other substitutes for butter.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Mr. Peters, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 49, entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of grand and subordinate courts of the Foresters of America of the State of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Eikhoff,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Foote	Mr. Otis
Allison	Fuller	Peek
Alward	Gibson	Perry
Babcock, C. G.	Gillam	Peters
Babcock, H.	Goodell	Petrowski
Bates	Goodyear	Phillips, C. C.
Belknap	Green	Phillips, M. F.
Bemis	Hammond	Powers
Billings	Harris	Putney
Bricker	Herrig	Reed
Buskirk	Hofmeister	Rulison
Cahoon	Jackson	Shepard, F. M.
Caldwell	Kelly	Shisler
Camburn	Kimmis	Smith
Campbell	Lee	Stewart
Clark	Lusk	Tefft
Coad	Madill	Van Camp
Colvin	Marsilje	Weier
Connors	Mayer	Wetherbee
Cousins	McGill	Whitney
Crippen	Miller	Williams
Davis	Molster	Wing
Dickinson, J. H.	Moore, E. W.	Zimmerman
Dickinson, L. D.	Niedermeyer	Speaker
Eikhoff	O'Dett	

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Peters

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Oberdorffer, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 50, entitled

A bill authorizing circuit judges and justices of the peace to sentence to the county jail at hard labor persons convicted of petit larceny, drunkenness, vagrancy, disorderly conduct, or any offense mentioned in Chap. 51 of Howell's annotated statutes and the amendments thereto.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Graham, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 51, entitled

A bill to provide for the committing of pauper insane persons to the Kent county insane asylum, and for the transfer of such persons to the State asylum and from the State asylum to the said county asylum, and to provide for the support and maintenance of such insane persons.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Graham, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 52, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 108, session laws of 1895, entitled "An act to prevent the spreading of bush, vine and fruit tree pests, such as canker-worm and other insects, and fungus and contagious diseases, and to provide for their extirpation.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Graham,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Foote	Mr. Oberdorffer
Allison	Fuller	O'Dett
Babcock, C. G.	Gibson	Otis
Babcock, H.	Gillam	Peek
Bates	Goodell	Perry
Belknap	Goodyear	Peters
Bemis	Graham	Phillips, C. C.
Billings	Green	Phillips, M. F.
Bricker	Gustin	Powers
Bryan	Hammond	Putney
Buskirk	Harris	Reed
Cahoon	Herrig	Rulison
Caldwell	Hofmeister	Savage
Camburn	Jackson	Shepard, F. M.
Campbell	Kelly	Shepherd, F.
Clark	Kimmis	Shisler
Clute	Lee	Smith

Mr. Coad	Mr. Lusk	Mr. Stewart
Colvin	Madill	Tefft
Connors	Marsilje	Van Camp
Cousins	Mayer	Weler
Crippen	McGill	Wetherbee
Davis	Miller	Whitney
Dickinson, J. H.	Molster	Williams
Dickinson, L. D.	Moore, E. W.	Wing
Donovan	Moore, M. G.	Zimmerman
Eikhoff	Niedermeier	Speaker
Fleischhauer		

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Graham,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Donovan, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 53, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 95 of the public acts of 1895, approved April 26, 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the compulsory education of children, for the punishment of truancy, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts conflicting with the provisions of the same."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Graham, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House joint resolution No. 2, entitled

Joint resolution authorizing the payment of moneys expended for Henry O. Barker, an indigent insane soldier, at the Kalamazoo asylum.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Wetherbee offered the following:

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That the Judiciary committees of the House and Senate may receive propositions to fold, wrap, address, stamp and mail the daily House and Senate Journals. Said proposals to be received at 9 o'clock, January 20 inst., in room J, Capitol building. And the said Judiciary committees are hereby authorized to award contract for such work to the lowest responsible bidder, hereby reserving the right to reject any or all proposals.

Pending the order that the resolution lie over one day under the rules, On motion of Mr. Wetherbee,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the resolution was put upon its immediate consideration.

The resolution was then adopted.

Mr. Kelly offered the following:

Resolved, That the various committees of this House, in visiting the different institutions of this State, be allowed only their actual mileage of three cents per mile each way, and four cents per mile each way for the

actual mileage traveled while traveling in the upper peninsula, and only their actual and legitimate expenses while on trips to investigate said institutions;

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

Mr. Foote offered the following substitute therefore:

Resolved, That the House visiting committees to the various State institutions be allowed as expenses while on the visits to said institutions, not to exceed three cents per mile for distance actually and necessarily traveled in going to and from the institutions in lower Michigan, and four cents per mile in the upper peninsula, and not to exceed three dollars per day for personal expenses for the time necessarily used in making such visits;

Which was accepted.

The question then being on the adoption of the resolution as amended by the substitute,

Mr. Lusk demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded, and, pending the calling of the roll,

Mr. Eikhoff moved that the resolution be referred to the committee on Judiciary;

Which motion did not prevail.

The question again being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was then adopted by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Allison	Mr. Fleischhauer	Mr. Oberdorffer
Alward	Foote	O'Dett
Babcock, C. G.	Fuller	Otis
Babcock, H.	Gibson	Peek
Bates	Gillam	Perry
Belknap	Goodell	Petrowski
Bemis	Goodyear	Phillips, C. C.
Billings	Graham	Phillips, M. F.
Bricker	Green	Powers
Bryan	Gustin	Putney
Buskirk	Hammond	Reed
Cahoon	Harris	Rullison
Caldwell	Herrig	Savage
Oamburn	Hofmeister	Shepard, F. M.
Campbell	Jackson	Shepherd, F.
Clark	Kelly	Shisler
Clute	Kimmis	Smith
Coad	Lee	Stewart
Colvin	Lusk	Tefft
Connors	Madill	Van Camp
Cousins	Marsllje	Weier
Crippen	Mayer	Whitney
Davis	Miller	Williams
Dickinson, J. H.	Molster	Wing
Dickinson, L. D.	Moore, E. W.	Zimmerman
Donovan	Moore, M. G.	Speaker
Eikhoff	Niedermeier	

NAYS.

Mr. Perry offered the following:

Resolved, That a special committee of three be appointed by the Speaker to investigate the publishing and distribution of documents by the State, and to report such amendments to existing laws governing such publications as their investigation may (in their judgment) show to be necessary;

On presenting the resolution,

Mr. Perry disclaimed his parliamentary right to be named as chairman of the committee provided for in the resolution.

The resolution was then adopted.

Mr. Smith moved to take from the table the following report:

By the committee on Ways and Means:

The committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred a resolution offered by Mr. Donovan:

Resolved, That the Speaker be and is hereby authorized to appoint Mrs. Lottie A. Chamberlain as stenographer and typewriter in general for this honorable body;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with accompanying substitute therefor:

Resolved, That the chairman of the committee on the Revision of the Statutes is hereby empowered to appoint a stenographer for the work of this committee (also to do stenographic work for such other committees as may require his services and other work required by members of the House; said stenographer to be known as the general stenographer for the House, and) who shall receive not more than three dollars per day; and

Resolved, That the clerks of standing committees when not employed on regular committee work shall perform such other work as may be required of them by the members of the House;

Recommending that the substitute be concurred in, and that the substitute do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

CHARLES SMITH,
Chairman.

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on concurring in the substitute resolution reported by the committee,

Mr. Lusk moved that the substitute be laid on the table;

Which motion did not prevail.

The question again being on concurring in the substitute reported by the committee,

Mr. Kimmis moved that the further consideration of the question be indefinitely postponed;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Davis

The House took a recess until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock p. m.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll call: quorum present.

The House resumed the order of

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Adams offered the following:

Resolved, That the committee on Revision of the Statutes be and are hereby empowered to employ for six weeks during this session a stenographer and typewriter at not to exceed \$15 per week, which sum shall include all charges for mileage or any other items of expense;

Which was not adopted.

Mr. Mayer offered the following:

Resolved, That the Sergeant-at-Arms be and is hereby instructed to furnish the usual supply of mineral water for the use of the House;

Which was not adopted.

Mr. Bates moved to take from the table the following:

WHEREAS, The citizens of Michigan, ever anxious for the advancement of the best interests of their noble commonwealth, have learned with feelings of intense gratification that there is a possibility of an advancement to a cabinet position under the incoming administration of her most favored and distinguished son; therefore be it

Resolved (the House concurring), That we cherish with jealous pride the history of the achievements of Gen. Russell A. Alger as soldier and hero of the rebellion. That we contemplate with admiration his wise and statesmanlike administration of the affairs of the State as Governor. That we, as representatives of the whole people of the State of Michigan, express to the President-elect our earnest approval of the contemplated appointment, believing that the conduct of national affairs will be distinguished through his attainments.

Resolved, That these resolutions be indorsed by the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House, and that a copy be forwarded to the President-elect, to each of our Representatives in the National Senate and National House of Representatives, and to General Alger;

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on concurring in the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Adams offered the following:

Resolved, That the Secretary of State be requested to procure and place at the disposal of the House judiciary committee a complete set of Howell's annotated statutes thoroughly annotated with Dickey and Howe, or some other reliable annotations;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Perry offered the following:

WHEREAS, During the greater part of the usual business hours of January the 16th, 1897, the document room of this House was without any authorized person in charge, and members of this House could not obtain documents therefrom, of any authorized keeper or assistant, therefore,

Resolved, By the House, that the document room keeper of this House, and his assistant, each forfeit one day's pay by reason of above mentioned absence from their post of duty; and that the Clerk of this House be and hereby is instructed to deduct one day, to-wit, Jan. 16, 1897, from the per diem of said document room keeper and his assistant on the pay roll of this House;

Which,

On motion of Mr. Kelly,

Was laid on the table.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS,

Being the consideration of the following:

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That we extend our sympathy to the Cuban people in their struggle for freedom and independence; and we request the Congress and President of the United States to recognize the Republic of Cuba as a free and independent government and to accord to the people of Cuba all the rights of a sovereign and independent government in ports and within the jurisdiction of the United States. And we ask our Senators and Representatives in Congress to secure the recognition of the Cuban Republic by the United States of America, and that the Secretary of State be instructed to transmit a certified copy of these resolutions to the President and our Senators and Representatives in Congress;

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

On motion of Mr. Gustin,

The resolution was referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

Also, the following:

Resolved by the House (the Senate concurring), That we do heartily endorse the Hon. John B. Corliss in his efforts to have the immigration laws so amended as to restrict the tide of foreign labor which flows daily across our borders, robbing our citizens of employment only to return to a foreign land to invest their earnings, thereby depriving our merchants of a large volume of business which they are justly entitled to; and be it further

Resolved, That the Secretary of State be and is hereby instructed to transmit a copy of this resolution to each of our Senators and Representatives at Washington, who are hereby requested to lend their influence to check this gross injustice to our citizens;

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted.

The House then resumed the regular order of business.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 25. By Mr. Niedermeier: Petition of citizens of Monroe county asking the repeal of the laws for the collection of farm statistics;

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STATE OFFICERS.

The Speaker announced the following:
To the Senate and House of Representatives, State of Michigan, Lansing, Michigan:

Gentlemen—At the regular quarterly meeting of the Michigan State Board of Health at Lansing, Jan. 8, 1897, the following memorial was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, Under the present system of registration of vital statistics, which has remained without alteration or improvement since 1869, there is a failure to obtain a large proportion of the births and deaths that actually occur in the State, and to obtain such data as are collected in time to be of the greatest practical use to the work of this board; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Michigan State Board of Health respectfully petitions the Michigan legislature to pass a law that shall provide for the early registration of all deaths that occur in the State, requiring certificates of deaths, and making provision for an early publication of results, so that they shall be available for the use of this board and of local health officers in their everyday work of restricting diseases in this State.

By direction of the State Board of Health.

Very respectfully,
HENRY B. BAKER,
Secretary.

The communication was ordered spread upon the Journal.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 19, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 8, entitled

A bill to authorize the board of education of the union school district of Bay City to issue bonds payable at a future date with interest.

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,
CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

NOTICES.

Mr. Putney gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to permit the redemption of lands sold for taxes and to govern actions at law and in equity involving tax-titles and to provide for notice to owners, occupants, incumbrances and lienholders of tax-titles.

Mr. McGill gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 97 of the public acts of 1889, as amended by act No. 82 of the public acts of 1891, entitled an act to provide for an additional circuit judge for the 17th judicial circuit, and to define the powers and duties of the judges of said court, and to provide for the manner of conducting the business of said court, the same being Sec. 6480 R. of the third volume, Howell's annotated statutes.

Mr. Peters gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to place building and loan associations and trust companies under the supervision of the Bank Commissioner.

Mr. Wetherbee gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the collection of delinquent taxes on personal property remaining unpaid after the 1st of March of each year in the county of Wayne;

Mr. Lusk gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 8 of act No. 192 of the public acts of 1881, approved June 10, 1881, being Chap. 52 of Howell's annotated statutes, relative to the protection of children in certain cases, by adding thereto four new sections to stand as Secs. 7, 8, 9 and 10 of said act, approved January 18, 1887, as amended by several acts amendatory thereof.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Goodell, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 54, entitled

A bill to amend the title and Sec. 1, of "An act to regulate the taking and catching of fish in the inland lakes of this State," as amended by act No. 186 of the session laws of 1893;

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fish and Game.

On motion of Mr. Kelly,
The House adjourned.

Lansing, Wednesday, January 20, 1897.

The House met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Zimmerman.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Mr. Atkinson.

On motion of Mr. Kelly,

Leave of absence was granted to all absentees for the day.

On motion of Mr. Davis,

Leave of absence was granted to the committee on Fish and Game for Friday and all of next week.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 26. By Mr. Zimmerman: Petition of Henry La Bounty and 116 others of Bay county asking the speedy passage of a bill to amend the law relative to the spearing of fish.

Referred to the committee on Fish and Game.

No. 27. By Mr. L. D. Dickinson: Resolutions of board of supervisors of Bay county relative to the collection and publication of farm statistics.

On demand of Mr. L. D. Dickinson,

The resolutions were read at length and spread at large on the Journal, as follows:

By Supervisor Knight:

WHEREAS, The collection and compilation of farm statistics by supervisors is a source of great expense to the State and whereas the interests of agriculture are not advanced thereby to sufficiently compensate for the cost of taking said statistics; therefore be it

Resolved, By the board of supervisors of Bay county that the Representative from this county and the Senator from this district be requested to use their influence for the repeal of all acts requiring the collection of fruit, farm, apiarian and garden statistics; and be it further

Resolved, That the county clerk send a certified copy of this resolution to the Representatives of this county and Senator of this district at Lansing.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, }
County of Bay, } ss.

I, F. L. Westover, clerk of Bay county, do hereby certify that the above is a true transcript of a resolution this day adopted by the board of supervisors of said county while in regular session, That I have carefully compared said transcript with the original resolution and find it a correct copy thereof and of the whole thereof.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Circuit Court for the County of Bay, this 18th day of January, A. D. 1897.

F. L. WESTOVER,
County Clerk.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor,
House bill No. 8, entitled

An act to authorize the board of education of the Union school district of Bay City to issue bonds payable at a future date with interest;

For which your committee hold the receipt of the Executive Office, dated Jan. 20, 1897, at 10 o'clock a. m.

GEO. E. GILLAM,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Home for Feeble Minded:

The committee on Home for Feeble Minded, to whom was referred House bill No. 16, entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the current and running expenses of the Michigan Home for the Feeble Minded and Epileptic until the general appropriation for that purpose shall be available;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

WILLIAM HARRIS,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Harris,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams
Allison
Alward
Babcock, C. G.
Babcock, H.
Bates
Belknap
Bemis
Billings
Bricker

Mr. Foote
Fuller
Gibson
Gillam
Goodell
Goodyear
Graham
Green
Gustin
Hammond

Mr. O'Dett
Otis
Peek
Perry
Peters
Petrowski
Phillips, M. F.
Powers
Putney
Reed

Mr. Bryan	Mr. Harris	Mr. Rulison	
Buskirk	Herrig	Savage	
Cahoon	Hofmeister	Shepard, F. M.	
Caldwell	Jackson	Shepherd, F.	
Camburn	Kelly	Shisler	
Campbell	Kimmis	Smith	
Clark	Lee	Stewart	
Clute	Lusk	Stoneman	
Coad	Madill	Tefft	
Colvin	Marsilje	Van Camp	
Connors	Mayer	Weier	
Cousins	McGill	Wetherbee	
Crippen	Miller	Whitney	
Dickinson, J. H.	Molster	Widoe	
Dickinson, L. D.	Moore, E. W.	Williams	
Donovan	Moore, M. G.	Wing	
Eikhoff	Niedermeyer	Speaker	
Fleischhauer	Oberdorffer		83
	NAYS.		0

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Lee,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

By the committee on Federal Relations:

The committee on Federal Relations, to whom was referred the following resolution:

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That we extend our sympathy to the Cuban people in their struggle for freedom and independence; and we request the Congress and President of the United States to recognize the Republic of Cuba as a free and independent government and to accord to the people of Cuba all the rights of a sovereign and independent government in ports and within the jurisdiction of the United States. And, we ask our Senators and Representatives in Congress to secure the recognition of the Cuban Republic by the United States of America, and that the Secretary of State be instructed to transmit a certified copy of these resolutions to the President and our Senators and Representatives in Congress;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the subject be made the special order for Tuesday evening, Jan. 26, at 8 o'clock p. m., and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

JOHN DONOVAN,
Chairman.

Report accepted, and committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee that the resolution be made the special order for Jan. 26, at 8 o'clock p. m.,

The report was concurred in, two-thirds of the members present voting therefor.

By the committee on Elections:

The committee on Elections, to whom was referred

House bill No. 13, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 38 of No. 44 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to prescribe the manner of conducting and to prevent fraud and deception at elections in this State;"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. E. STEWART,

Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Elections:

The committee on Elections, to whom was referred

House bill. No. 2, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 149 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the election of a board of county canvassers, to prescribe the term of office and powers and duties thereof, and repeal all acts and parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act;"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment and recommendation that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. E. STEWART,

Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,

Lansing, January 19, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 49, entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of grand and subordinate courts of the Foresters of America of the State of Michigan;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

CHARLES S. PIERCE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 19, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 1, entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the current and running expenses of the Michigan Mining School until the general appropriation for that purpose shall be available;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

CHARLES S. PIERCE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

Mr. Rulison moved that the rules be suspended and the bill placed on its immediate passage;

Pending which,

On motion of Mr. M. G. Moore

The bill was referred to the committee on Mining School.

NOTICES.

Mr. Herrig gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A joint resolution directing the board of State auditors to settle and adjust the claim made by Joseph Schefneker against the State of Michigan for services and money expended by him in recruiting volunteers for the war of the rebellion from April, 1861, part of 4 different companies up to the organization of the 14th regiment of Michigan infantry.

Mr. Herrig gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the board of supervisors of Saginaw county to allow committees extra compensation when the board is not in session.

Mr. Colvin gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to repeal act No. 273 of public acts of 1889.

Mr. Gillam gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 159, of the public acts of 1891, entitled "An act to regulate the taking and catching of fish in the inland lakes of this State."

Mr. Herrig gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to repeal act 273, of the public acts of 1889, entitled an act to provide for selecting and drawing jurors for the circuit court of Saginaw county.

Mr. F. Shepherd gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the general tax law so as to simplify the expense of collecting taxes on State tax lands and to reduce the expense thereof.

Mr. Connors gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend act No. 117 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act for the protection of game."

Mr. Widoe gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill for the protection of fish in the lake known as Pentwater lake, situated in the township of Pentwater, county of Oceana, State of Michigan.

Mr. Whitney gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the city of North Muskegon.

Mr. Oberdorffer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 47 of act No. 206 of the public acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and to repeal act No. 200 of the public acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act.

Mr. Gustin gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the general tax law.

Mr. Gustin gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to vacate the township of Mount Pindus, Atherton and Harmon, in Oscoda county, and incorporate the territory with the township of Big Creek in said county.

Mr. Donovan gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to subject contracts of sale where the title to the thing sold remains in the vendors to the law relative to the filing and renewal of chattel mortgages and to restrict the sale or disposition of such property.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Fleischbauer, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 55, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 12 of act No. 152 of the public acts of 1891, entitled, "An act to amend Secs. 1, 8, 9, 12, and 15 of act No. 276 of the public acts of 1889, entitled "An act for the protection of game."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Fleischbauer, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 56, entitled

A bill to protect fish and to regulate fishing in the waters of this State, by providing close seasons for certain kinds of fish, and to repeal inconsistent acts.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to committee on Fish and Game.

Mr. Fleischhauer, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 57, entitled

A bill to authorize the boards of supervisors of Lake and Osceola counties to permit spearing suckers and grass pike in said counties.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fish and Game.

Mr. Camburn, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 58, entitled

A bill to prevent deception in the manufacture and sale of imitation butter.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Mr. Reed, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 59, entitled

A bill to legalize certain bonds of the county of Mecosta.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Reed,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Eikhoff	Mr. O'Dett
Allison	Fleischhauer	Otis
Alward	Foote	Peek
Babcock, C. G.	Fuller	Perry
Babcock, H.	Gibson	Peters
Bates	Gillam	Petrowski
Belknap	Goodell	Phillips, C. C.
Bemis	Goodyear	Phillips, M. F.
Billings	Graham	Powers
Bricker	Green	Putney
Bryan	Gustin	Reed
Buskirk	Hammond	Rullison
Cahoon	Harris	Savage
Caldwell	Herrig	Shepard, F. M.
Camburn	Hofmeister	Shisler
Campbell	Jackson	Smith
Clark	Kimms	Stewart
Clute	Lusk	Stoneman

Mr. Coad	Mr. Madill	Mr. Tefft
Colvin	Marsilje	Van Camp
Connors	Mayer	Weier
Cousins	Miller	Whitney
Crippen	Molster	Widoe
Davis	Moore, E. W.	Williams
Dickinson, J. H.	Moore, M. G.	Wing
Dickinson, L. D.	Niedermeyer	Zimmerman
Donovan	Oberdorffer	Speaker

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Reed,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Reed, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 60, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 131 of act No. 206 of the public acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased, and to repeal act No. 200 of the public acts of 1891 and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Eikhoff, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 61, entitled

A bill to provide fans and blowers in all workshops or establishments where emery wheels or wheels composed partly of emery or buffing wheels or emery belts are used.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Labor.

Mr. Hammond, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 62, entitled

A bill making an appropriation for Michigan Soldiers' Home, 1897 and 1898.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Soldiers' Home.

Mr. Fuller, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 63, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 364 of Chap. 10 of the compiled laws of 1857, and acts amendatory thereto, the same being Sec. 502 of Howell's annotated statutes, relative to compensation of supervisors.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Graham, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 64, entitled

A bill to create a board of commissioners for the purpose of securing for use in the common and primary schools of the State of Michigan a uniform series of text books, to fix the maximum price to be charged for said books and to make an appropriation for carrying out the provisions of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committees on Education and State Affairs, jointly.

On motion of Mr. Graham,

Two thousand copies of the bill were ordered printed for the use of the committee and for distribution throughout the State.

Mr. C. J. Babcock, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 65, entitled

A bill to provide for the taxation of incomes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

On motion of Mr. Babcock,

The bill was ordered printed for the use of the committee.

Mr. F. M. Shepard, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 66, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 10 of act 196 of the public acts of 1887, entitled "An act to regulate the practice of pharmacy in the State of Michigan."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Billings, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 67, entitled

A bill to protect persons engaged in the propagation and culture of fish in certain waters, and authorizing persons so engaged to take fish in such waters, and to dispose of and sell such fish in such manner as they choose, and requiring persons prosecuted for selling or having in their possession fish out of season to show that they come within the provisions of this act, and providing a penalty for its violation, and to repeal inconsistent acts.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on fish and game.

Mr. Goodyear, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 68, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 205 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to regulate the admission to practice attorneys, solicitors and counselors, to provide for a board of examiners, and to repeal conflicting acts."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Gibson, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 69, entitled

A bill to protect fish and regulate fishing in the lakes, rivers and streams in the county of St. Joseph, in the State of Michigan; to permit the catching of suckers by a device called a "Rake" in certain waters in said county during certain months; to regulate the catching of bass; to permit an open season for spearing fish; to prohibit the catching of pickerel unless they shall be above a certain weight and restricting the catching of fish with hook and line. The limitation of said act being for a period of five years.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Donovan, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 70, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 27 of chapter 123, revised statutes of 1846, relative to proceedings to recover the possession of land in certain cases.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Donovan, previous notice having been given and leave granted, introduced

House bill No. 71, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 33 of chapter 108 of the revised statutes of 1846, in relation to action of ejectment, the same being compiler's Sec. 7819, Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Kimmis, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 72, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of act No. 135 of the public acts of 1885, entitled "An act to amend, revise and consolidate the laws organizing asylums for the insane, and regulating the care and management thereof, and of the inmates therein, and to repeal act 164, laws of 1859; also act 194, laws of 1877; also act 91, laws of 1873, and the acts amendatory thereto; also act 172, laws of 1873," approved June 3, 1885; the same being Sec. 1930a1, Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Moore, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 73, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. No. 1 of act No. 264 of the session laws of 1889, entitled, "An act relative to disorderly persons and to repeal chapter 53 of the compiled laws of 1871, as amended by the several acts amendatory thereof."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Goodell offered the following:

Resolved, That the Secretary of State be and is hereby directed to furnish to the chairman of the committee on Agriculture a report of the cost of compiling and printing the cereal reports for the years 1895 and 1896;

Which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Foote,

The House took a recess until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock p. m.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

The House resumed the regular order.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 27. By Mr. Gustin: Petition of Eugene Hughes and 20 others relative to vacating the township of Mt. Pindus.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 28. By Mr. Bricker: Petition of H. S. Forman and 69 others of Belding, Ionia county, asking the repeal of the law relative to the spearing of fish in the lakes and rivers of this State.

Referred to the committee on Fish and Game.

No. 29. By Mr. Bricker: Petition of Leander Berry and many others for the repeal of the law allowing a rebate on wide tired wagons.

Referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 19, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following concurrent resolution:

WHEREAS, It is the practice of the several departments of State, and of the State institutions, to issue, publish, and distribute, at large, throughout the State, annual reports and also volumes known as "Joint Documents," and

WHEREAS, Many thousands of dollars are annually expended therefor; and

WHEREAS, The benefit derived therefrom may not be sufficient to warrant the continued expenditure of such vast sums of money; therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate (the House concurring), That the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House, be and they are each hereby instructed to appoint from their respective bodies three members, who shall constitute a joint committee, to investigate and determine as to the necessity and the expediency of the continuance of the practice of allowing said institutions, the several committees shall visit only such institutions boards and officers, to issue, publish, and circulate annual reports, and if many of such reports, including joint documents, may not be discontinued, without loss to the State, and that such committee shall report to this legislature the result of their investigation and their determination, within thirty days from the date thereof;

Which has been adopted by the Senate, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

CHARLES S. PIERCE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The question being on concurring in the adoption of the resolution,
The resolution was adopted.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 19, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved by the Senate (the House concurring), That from and after April 20, 1897, the two Houses of the legislature will transact no other business than for the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House to sign enrolled bills for the approval of the Governor and the entry of the same on the Journal by the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House, and the final adjournment of the legislature shall be the 23d day of April, 1897, at 12 o'clock noon of that day;

Which has been adopted by the Senate, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

CHARLES S. PIERCE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The question being on concurring in the adoption of the resolution,
On motion of Mr. Fuller,
The resolution was laid on the table.

NOTICES.

Mr. McGill gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 3, article 3, of act No. 174 of the session laws of 1891, entitled "An act to amend Sec. 3 of article 3 of act No. 174 of the

public acts of 1883, entitled 'An act to amend Secs. 7, 30, 36 and 41 of article 2, and Secs. 3 and 5 of article 3, and Sec. 14 of article 4, and to add two new sections to article 2, to stand as Secs. 45 and 46, and a new section to article 5 to stand as Sec. 22 of an act entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of railroad companies and regulate the running and managing, and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroads and other corporations owning or operating any railroad in this State," being act 198 of the session laws of 1873, as amended by act 174 of the session laws of 1891.

Mr. Gustin gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to vacate the township of Mt. Pindus in the county of Oscoda and to incorporate its territory within the township of Atherton.

Mr. Lusk gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Sec. 1 of Art. 15 of the Constitution of the State of Michigan and to strike out and repeal Secs. 13 and 14 of said Art. 15 relative to the formation of corporations.

Mr. Peek gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize and empower the board of supervisors of the county of Jackson to dispose of the interest of said county in certain lands in the city of Jackson, commonly known as the "fair grounds."

Mr. E. W. Moore gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 135 of act No. 206 of the public acts of 1893 relative to certificates of payment of taxes.

Mr. Smith gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Secs. 23 and 24 of act No. 135 of P. A. of 1885, in relation to organization, care and management of asylums.

Mr. Lee gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill making death the penalty for murder in the first degree.

Mr. Donovan gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of Bay City.

Mr. Allison gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to repeal the drain law of 1895.

Mr. Lee gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Secs. 1, 2, 5 of chapter 67, Howell's annotated statutes of 1882, pertaining to the destruction of Canada thistles by adding thereto the Russian thistle.

Mr. Savage gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for service of notices, writs or other process upon common council, boards or other public bodies, and for the making of answers by such bodies in suits or other judicial proceedings.

Mr. Savage gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the adoption, distribution and maintenance of a uniform series of school text books throughout the State of Michigan.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Fuller offered the following:

Resolved by the House (the Senate concurring), That the State Printer be and is hereby directed in the printing of the bills of the two Houses to follow the style of the bills of the Congress of the United States, in the size of the page and style of make up, and the filing upon the back; the same to be set in long primer type with designating head lines, to be approved by the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House;

Pending the order that the resolution lie over one day under the rules,
On motion of Mr. Fuller,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the resolution was put upon its immediate consideration.

The resolution was then adopted.

Mr. Donovan offered the following:

WHEREAS, The work of the House is being retarded from some cause unknown; and

WHEREAS, The time is passing very rapidly and much valuable time is already lost; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Speaker be requested to urge upon the several committees the importance of immediate action upon the work before them.

On motion of Mr. Davis,

The resolution was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Alward,

Leave of absence was granted to himself for tomorrow.

On motion of Mr. Shisler,

Leave of absence was granted to himself until Saturday.

On motion of Mr. M. G. Moore,

Leave of absence was granted to himself until Saturday.

On motion of Mr. Goodyear,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Thursday, January 21, 1897.

The House met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Allen.

Roll call: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. Atkinson, Clute, Davis, Goodell, Lee and Whitney.

On motion of Mr. Madill,
Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Lee for the day.
On motion of Mr. Kimmis,
Leave of absence was granted to all absentees for the day.
On motion of Mr. F. M. Shepard,
Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Whitney indefinitely on account of sickness in his family.
On motion of Mr. L. D. Dickinson,
Leave of absence was granted to himself for tomorrow.
On motion of Mr. Wetherbee,
Leave of absence was granted to himself for tomorrow.
On motion of Mr. J. H. Dickinson,
Leave of absence was granted to himself for tomorrow.
On motion of Mr. Adams,
Leave of absence was granted to himself and Messrs. McGill and Peters for tomorrow.

The Speaker announced that in pursuance of the concurrent resolution adopted yesterday and House resolution adopted on the 19th inst., he had appointed the following committee to investigate the printing and circulating of reports, joint documents, etc.: Messrs. Neidermier, Graham and Perry.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 30. By Mr. M. T. Phillips: Petition of E. W. Thompson and 13 other citizens for the catching and spearing of fish known as "cliscoes" in Bunker lake, Cass county.

Referred to the committee on Fish and Game.

No. 31. By Mr. Zimmerman: Petition of Terence Martin and 56 others, residents of St. Clair county, relative to fishing in Lake St. Clair.

Referred to the committee on Fish and Game.

No. 32. By Mr. Zimmerman: Petition of Carl Seifert and 52 others, residents of St. Clair county, relative to fishing in Lake St. Clair.

Referred to the committee on Fish and Game.

No. 33. By Mr. L. D. Dickinson: Petition from 142 citizens of Eaton township, Eaton county, for repeal of laws for the collection of farm statistics.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 34. By Mr. Cousins: Petition of citizens of Pittsford township, Hillsdale county, asking the repeal of the laws relative to the collection, compilation and publication of farm statistics.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on Labor:

The committee on Labor, to whom was referred

House bill No. 61, entitled

A bill to provide fans or blowers in all workshops or establishments where emery wheels or wheels composed partly of emery, or buffing wheels or emery belts are used;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY EIKHOFF,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

Mr. Eikhoff moved that the rules be suspended and that the bill be put upon its immediate passage;

Which motion did not prevail, two-thirds of the members present not voting therefor.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor,

House bill No. 49, entitled

An act to provide for the incorporation of grand and subordinate courts of the Foresters of America of the State of Michigan,

For which your committee hold the receipt of the Executive Office dated January 21, 1897, at 10 o'clock a. m.

GEORGE E. GILLAM,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Private Corporations:

The committee on Private Corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 24, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 8 of chapter 112 of Howell's statutes, entitled "Water power companies," being compiler's Sec. 3881 of Howell's annotated statutes;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

W. R. BATES,
Acting Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Bates,

The request was granted, and the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee.

By the committee on Private Corporations:

The committee on Private Corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 22, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 3 of an act entitled "An act to provide for the payment of a franchise fee by corporations," being act No. 182 of the public acts of Michigan for 1891, as amended by act No. 79 of the public acts of 1893 and No. 91 of the public acts of 1895;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without

amendment and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

W. R. BATES,
Acting Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Judiciary:

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the following resolution, to wit:

"Resolved by the Senate (the House concurring), That the State printer be instructed to forward one copy of the daily Journal to each daily and weekly newspaper published within this State, and to each State officer and member of State commission, supreme, circuit and probate judge, county clerk, county treasurer, register of deeds, prosecuting attorney, circuit court commissioner, and to each public library, board of trade, superior and recorder's courts in the State, and to each county school commissioner and superintendent of each union school in the State; and that the amount of postage on such copies of said Journal be paid by the State Treasurer on the warrant of the Auditor General on the presentation of bills duly certified by the postmaster at Lansing and by the State printer showing that such stamps had been purchased and used only for the payment of postage on said copies of said Journal hereby ordered to be distributed;"

For which the House had agreed to the following substitute, to wit:

"Resolved by the Senate (the House concurring), That the Secretary of State be instructed to forward, without compensation, one copy of the daily Journal to each daily and weekly newspaper published within the State, and to each State officer or board of State commission, supreme, circuit and probate judge, county clerk, county treasurer, register of deeds, prosecuting attorney, circuit court commissioner, and to each public library, each trades and labor library in the State, board of trade, superior and recorder's court in the State, and to each county school commissioner and superintendent of each union school in the State, township clerk, and not to exceed five copies to the order of each member, and that the amount of postage on such copies of said Journal be paid by the State Treasurer on the warrant of the Auditor General on the presentation of bills duly certified by the postmaster at Lansing and by the State printer, showing that such stamps had been purchased and used only for the payment of postage on said copies of said Journal hereby ordered to be distributed;"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the following substitute therefor:

"Resolved by the Senate (the House concurring), That the contractor to be employed by the Judiciary committees of the House and Senate be instructed to forward one copy of the daily Journal to each daily newspaper published within this State, and to each county clerk, public library and labor library, and upon request, in writing, to the Secretary of State, by any of the following, viz.: To each weekly newspaper published within this State, each State officer or member of State commission, supreme, circuit and probate judge, county treasurer, register of

deeds, prosecuting attorney, circuit court commissioner, board of trade, supervisor, recorder, and recorder's court in this State, township clerk, and township treasurer, each superintendent of any high school or union school in this State, and to not exceeding fifteen hundred representative citizens of this State: Provided, That the Secretary of State may consult the respective Senators and Representatives of the legislature as to the standing and character of not to exceed ten names to each Senator and Representative, and that the amount of postage on such copies of said Journal be paid by the State Treasurer on the warrant of the Auditor General on the presentation of bills duly certified by the postmaster at Lansing and by the Secretary of State, showing that such stamps had been purchased and used only for the payment of postage on said copies of said Journal hereby ordered to be distributed;"

And your committee do recommend that said amendment do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. J. SAWYER,

Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the adoption of the resolution reported by the committee,

The report and resolution were adopted.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Speaker announced the following:

STATE OF MICHIGAN,
EXECUTIVE OFFICE.
Lansing, January 20, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved, signed and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State,

House bill No. 8, being

An act to authorize the board of education of the union school district of Bay City to issue bonds, payable at a future date, with interest.

Respectfully,

H. S. PINGREE,

Governor.

The message was ordered spread on the Journal.

The Speaker also announced the following:

STATE OF MICHIGAN,
EXECUTIVE OFFICE.
Lansing, January 20, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved, signed and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State,

House bill No. 12, being
An act to legalize the proceedings of the Oakland County Agricultural society to sell its real estate.

Respectfully,
H. S. PINGREE,
Governor.

The message was ordered spread on the Journal.

The Speaker also announced the following:

STATE OF MICHIGAN,
EXECUTIVE OFFICE.
Lansing, January 20, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved, signed and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State,

House concurrent resolution, being
Concurrent resolution relative to a national military park at Vicksburg.

Respectfully,
H. S. PINGREE,
Governor.

The message was ordered spread on the Journal.

The Speaker also announced the following:

STATE OF MICHIGAN,
EXECUTIVE OFFICE.
Lansing, Jan. 18, 1897.

To the Honorable the House of Representatives:

Gentlemen—Hon. Russel R. Pealer and Arthur L. Canfield, the commissioners appointed to examine the re-compilation of the general laws in force, ordered by the legislature of 1895, under the provisions of Sec. 15, Art. 18, of the Constitution, and act No. 268 of the public acts of 1895, have duly certified to me the completion of the work, as appears by a copy of their certificate hereto annexed.

I therefore communicate that fact to your honorable body that the legislature may take such action in reference to the printing of the same as may seem best.

Very respectfully,
H. S. PINGREE,
Governor.

COMMISSIONERS' CERTIFICATE.

To Hon. Hazen S. Pingree, Governor of the State of Michigan:

We, the commissioners appointed pursuant to an act entitled "An act to provide for the collection, compilation and re-printing of the general laws of this State, together with a digest of the decisions of the Supreme Court relating thereto," approved June 4, 1895, do hereby certify that

we have examined the general laws collected and arranged by Lewis M. Miller, and also have examined the digest of the decisions of the Supreme Court of this State relating to such laws, made by Lewis M. Miller, the person appointed by the legislature to perform that service, and have found the laws so collected and arranged to be a correct compilation of all the general laws in force and of all the acts and parts of acts passed by the last legislature, which were approved and became laws, and we have also found the digest so made by said Miller a complete and satisfactory digest.

(Signed)

RUSSEL R. PEALER,
ARTHUR L. CANFIELD.

The message and accompanying document were ordered spread on the Journal.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 20, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 31, entitled

A bill to change the names of Malcolm McCarty, George McCarty, Rozilla McCarty, Joseph A. McCarty, Lillie M. McCarty and Concreta McCarty to Malcolm Mackinzie, George Mackinzie, Rozilla Mackinzie, Joseph A. Mackinzie, Lillie M. Mackinzie and Concreta Mackinzie;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has been ordered to take immediate effect, and in all of which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

CHARLES S. PIERCE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Gillam,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams

Allison

Babcock, C. G.

Babcock, H.

Bates

Belknap

Mr. Fuller

Gibson

Gillam

Goodyear

Graham

Green

Mr. Peek

Perry

Peters

Petrowski

Phillips, C. C.

Phillips, M. F.

Mr. Bemis	Mr. Gustin	Mr. Powers
Bricker	Hammond	Putney
Bryan	Harris	Reed
Buskirk	Herrig	Rulison
Cahoon	Hofmeister	Savage
Caldwell	Jackson	Sawyer
Camburn	Kelly	Shepard, F. M.
Campbell	Kimmis	Shepherd, F.
Clark	Lusk	Stewart
Coad	Madill	Stoneman
Colvin	Marsilje	Tefft
Connors	Mayer	Van Camp
Cousins	McGill	Weier
Crippen	Miller	Wetherbee
Dickinson, J. H.	Molster	Widoe
Dickinson, L. D.	Moore, E. W.	Williams
Donovan	Niedermeyer	Wing
Eikhoff	Oberdorffer	Zimmerman
Fleischhauer	O'Dett	Speaker
Foote	Otis	

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Gillam,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 20, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 59, entitled

A bill to legalize certain bonds of the county of Mecosta;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

CHARLES S. PIERCE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 19, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 29, entitled

A bill to enable the township of Leroy, in Ingham county, to pay for certain bridges constructed in said township in the year 1891, yet unpaid for, owing to illegalities in the proceedings of the commissioner of highways of said township of Leroy, in procuring their construction;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

CHARLES S. PIERCE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 20, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 43, entitled

A bill to change the name of Rose Theresa Sootofskie to Rose Theresa Herman;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

CHARLES S. PIERCE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

NOTICES.

Mr. Shepherd gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to organize the township of Forest in Cheboygan county into a township school district.

Mr. Graham gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to make an appropriation for the support of the State Agricultural College, for the repair of buildings and other improvements at said college.

Mr. Donovan gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 6, Chap. 339, being Sec. 9639 of Howell's annotated statutes, relative to county jails and the regulation thereof.

Mr. Gillam gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to fix the per diem compensation of members of the State legislature from the upper peninsula for and during the session of 1897.

Mr. Sawyer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the analysis of water in use by the public in certain cases.

Mr. Sawyer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the treatment of the children of indigent poor people that are afflicted with any curable malady or deformity at birth and to provide for the payment of the expense thereof.

Mr. Sawyer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to prevent the over or fraudulent issue of stock or bonds by any corporation.

Mr. Lusk gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Secs. 1 and 2 of act No. 326 of the local acts of 1895, entitled an act to authorize the township of Whitney in Arenac county, Michigan, to borrow money upon its bonds for the improvement of certain highways in that township, approved March 13, 1895.

Mr. Peek gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Jackson in regard to paving.

Mr. Peek gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to revise the charter of the city of Jackson.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Oberdorffer, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 74, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 47 of act No. 206 of the public acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal act No. 200 of the public acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act," as amended by act No. 229 of the public acts of 1895, so as to further provide for the collection of taxes upon personal property assessed to one other than the owner out of such property in certain cases.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and was referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Foote, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 75, entitled

A bill to make an appropriation for building one detached hospital building for acute female patients, for the construction of a hose house

and laboratory building, and the purchase of hook and ladder outfit, for additional fire protection, and for replacing wooden cornice with galvanized iron cornice on the female department, at the Michigan Asylum for the Insane, at Kalamazoo.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Michigan Asylum.

Mr. Smith, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 76, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 23 and 24 of act No. 135 of the public acts of 1885, entitled "An act to amend, revise and consolidate the laws organizing asylums for the Insane and regulating the care and management thereof, and of the inmates therein, and to repeal act 164, laws of 1859, also act 194, laws 1877, also act 91, laws 1873, and the acts amendatory thereto, also act 172, laws of 1873," approved June 3, 1885.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. McGill, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 77, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 97 of the session laws of 1889, entitled "An act to provide for an additional circuit judge for the 17th judicial circuit and to define the powers and duties of the judges of said circuit, and to provide for the manner of conducting the business of said court," as amended by act No. 82 of the session laws of 1891.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. McGill,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams

Allison

Babcock, C. G.

Babcock, H.

Bates

Belknap

Bemis

Billings

Bricker

Bryan

Buskirk

Cahoon

Caldwell

Campbell

Clark

Coad

Colvin

Mr. Fuller

Gibson

Gillam

Goodyear

Graham

Green

Gustin

Hammond

Harris

Herrig

Hofmeister

Jackson

Kelly

Kimms

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Mr. Otis

Peek

Perry

Peters

Petrowski

Phillips, C. C.

Powers

Putney

Reed

Rulison

Savage

Sawyer

Shepard, F. M.

Shepherd, F.

Smith

Stewart

Stoneman

Mr. Connors	Mr. Mayer	Mr. Tefft
Cousins	McGill	Van Camp
Crippen	Miller	Weier
Dickinson, J. H.	Molster	Wetherbee
Dickinson, L. D.	Moore, E. W.	Widoe
Donovan	Niedermeier	Wing
Eikhoff	Oberdorffer	Zimmerman
Fleischhauer	O'Dett	Speaker
Foote		

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. McGill,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Madill, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 78, entitled

A bill to make townships in Huron county primarily liable for the payment of all claims incurred in the care of persons sick with contagious diseases, or diseases dangerous to the public health, or incurred in preventing the spread of such diseases, where said county is now primarily liable for such payment.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Gillam, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 79, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 159 of the public acts of 1891, entitled "An act to regulate the taking and catching of fish in the inland lakes of this State," approved June 24, 1891.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Gustin, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 80, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of an act entitled "An act to organize the union school district of the city of Alpena," approved April 4, 1873, and the acts amendatory thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Marsilje, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 81, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 161 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to require county treasurers to furnish transcripts and abstracts of records and fixing the fees to be paid therefor."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Van Camp, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 82, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of an act entitled "An act to protect fish and regulate fishing in the waters of this State by prohibiting the use of seines, pound nets, gill nets and other fixed or set nets with meshes below certain sizes, and regulating the use of such nets, and to repeal inconsistent acts," approved June 8, 1889, being consecutive Sec. 2173b of the third volume of Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Herrig, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House joint resolution No. 3, entitled

Joint resolution directing the Board of State Auditors to settle and adjust the claim made by Joseph Schefneker against the State of Michigan for services and money expended by him in recruiting volunteers for the war of the rebellion, from April, 1861; part of four companies up to the organization of the 14th regiment of Michigan Infantry.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Kelly offered the following:

WHEREAS, It appearing that the House is making but little progress in the matter of legislation and committee work; that the daily sessions of the House are barren of results; that members of committees could accomplish their work during the next two weeks with beneficial results to the taxpayers of this State but for the daily sessions now held; and, believing that the work of this body can be greatly expedited and much good accomplished; therefore be it

Resolved by the House (the Senate concurring), That when we adjourn it be for a period of ten days from Friday, Jan. 22, until Tuesday, Feb. 2, next, for the purpose of allowing the different committees to make the necessary investigations of the various institutions of this State.

Pending the order that the resolution lie over one day under the rules,

Mr. Kelly moved that the rules be suspended and the resolution be put upon its immediate consideration;

Which motion did not prevail, two-thirds of the members present not voting therefor.

The resolution was then ordered to lie over one day under the rules.

Mr. Campbell offered the following:

WHEREAS, Tuesday, January the 26th, 1897, will be the sixtieth anniversary of the admission of Michigan to the rank of statehood in the Union; and

WHEREAS, It is fitting that the legislature of Michigan should set apart a portion of said day to exercises appropriate to the occasion; therefore be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That a joint committee be appointed, three to be chosen by the Speaker of the House and three by the President of the Senate, to prepare a suitable program for that day, and as soon as possible report the program as arranged by them to both branches of the legislature.

Pending the order that the resolution lie over one day under the rules,
On motion of Mr. Campbell,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the resolution was put upon its immediate consideration.

The resolution was then adopted.

Mr. Kimmis offered the following:

WHEREAS, The re-compilation of the laws prepared by the compiler elected by the legislature of 1895, and duly certified to the Governor by the commissioners appointed to examine the same has been referred to the legislature by the Governor; and

WHEREAS, Such compilation consists of a large amount of manuscript liable to become scattered and lost unless properly cared for; therefore

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That such compilation remain in the custody of the compiler, subject to the use of the two houses.

Laid over one day under the rules.

On motion of Mr. Kelly,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Friday, January 22, 1897.

The House met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Boyden.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. Atkinson, Billings, Camburn, Connors, Gustin, Lee, Petrowski and Stoneman.

On motion of Mr. Moore,

Leave of absence was granted all absentees for the day.

On motion of Mr. Williams,

Leave of absence was granted himself until Tuesday next.

On motion of Mr. Rulison,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Smith indefinitely.

On motion of Mr. Kimmis,

Leave of absence was granted to committee on School of Mines indefinitely.

On motion of Mr. Molster,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Stoneman until Tuesday next.

On motion of Mr. Molster,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Petrowsky until Tuesday next.

On motion of Mr. Gillam,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Gustin indefinitely.

On motion of Mr. C. C. Phillips,

Leave of absence was granted himself until Tuesday next.

On motion of Mr. Colvin,

Leave of absence was granted himself until Tuesday next.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 35. By Mr. E. W. Moore: Petition for the protection of girls, from the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Battle Creek, Michigan, representing 120 members.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 36. By Mr. Weier: Petition of Miles B. Johnson and 205 others, praying for passage of House bill No. 11, relative to setting aside certain submerged lands in Lake Erie for public shooting grounds.

Referred to committee on Fisheries and Game.

No. 37. By Mr. Gillam: Memorial from the Michigan Engineering society praying for the enactment of better legislation relative to the registration of mortality in Michigan.

On demand of Mr. Gillam,

The memorial was read at length and spread at large on the Journal, as follows:

To the Honorable the Legislature of Michigan:

At the eighteenth annual meeting of the Michigan Engineering society, held at Lansing, Jan. 19-21, 1897, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, Accurate mortality statistics are absolutely necessary in studying the effects of improvements in sewerage and water supply upon the public health of localities in Michigan; and

WHEREAS, The present system of registration of deaths in Michigan, instituted in 1869, fails to obtain statistics satisfactory for practical uses in many respects; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Michigan Engineering society respectfully petitions the Michigan legislature to enact a law providing for the immediate registration of deaths throughout the State and requiring certificates of deaths.

Very respectfully,

F. HODGMAN,
Secretary.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 38. By Mr. Zimmerman: Petition of Lincoln Smith and 70 others in support of bill to amend Sec. 5 of general fish laws, and providing for the spearing of fish in Lake St. Clair during the winter months.

Referred to committee on Fisheries and Game.

No. 39. By Mr. Allison: Petition of W. W. Brown and 92 others of Cohoctah, Livingston county, asking for the repeal of the drain law.

Referred to the committee on Drainage.

No. 40. By Mr. L. D. Dickinson: Petition of citizens relative to repeal of law for collecting farm statistics.

Referred to committee on Agriculture.

No. 41. By Mr. Weier: Petition of Chas. E. Kirby and 160 others of Monroe county, relative to repeal of law for collection of farm statistics.

Referred to committee on Agriculture.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor

House bill No. 29, entitled

An act to enable the township of Leroy, in Ingham county, to pay for certain bridges constructed in said township in the year 1891 yet unpaid for owing to illegalities in the proceedings of the commissioner of highways of said township of Leroy in procuring their construction;

For which your committee hold the receipt of the Executive Office dated Jan. 22, 1897, at 9:50 o'clock a. m.

GEO. E. GILLAM,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor

House bill No. 43, entitled

An act to change the name of Rose Theresa Sootofskie to Rose Theresa Herman;

For which your committee hold the receipt of the Executive Office dated Jan. 22, 1897, at 9:50 o'clock a. m.

GEO. E. GILLAM,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor

House bill No. 59, entitled

An act to legalize certain bonds of the county of Mecosta;

For which your committee hold the receipt of the Executive Office dated Jan. 22, 1897, at 9:50 o'clock a. m.

GEO. E. GILLAM,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 21, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 20, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 73 of the public acts of 1889, entitled "An act to amend Sec. 1 of an act entitled 'An act to authorize proceedings by garnishment in the circuit courts and the district court of the upper peninsula, approved March 16, 1861, as the same has been amended by the several acts amendatory thereof, the same being Sec. 8058 of Howell's annotated statutes of the State of Michigan,'" and to repeal Sec. 33 of chapter 277 (being compiler's Sec. 8089) of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in all of which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

CHARLES S. PIERCE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 21, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 21, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act 123 of the public acts of 1885, entitled, "An act to protect defendants in action when they have given notice of set-off;"

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in all of which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

CHARLES S. PIERCE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 21, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 22, entitled

A bill to amend Chap. 318 of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan, relative to offenses against property, by adding one section thereto, to stand as Sec. 9176b;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in all of which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

CHARLES S. PIERCE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 21, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 18, entitled

A bill to amend Chap. 256 of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan, relative to proceedings as for contempts to enforce civil remedies and to protect the rights of parties in civil actions, by adding one section thereto, to stand as Sec. 34 and compiler's Sec. 7289a;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in all of which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 21, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 52, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 108, session laws of 1895, entitled "An act to prevent the spreading of bush, vine and fruit tree pests, such as canker-worm and other insects, fungus and contagious diseases, and to provide for their extirpation;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

CHARLES S. PIERCE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 21, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 77, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 97 of the session laws of 1889, entitled "An act to provide for an additional circuit judge for the 17th judicial

circuit, and to define the powers and duties of the judges of said circuit, and to provide for the manner of conducting the business of said court," as amended by act No. 82 of the session laws of 1891;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

CHARLES S. PIERCE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,

Lansing, January 21, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 47, entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the current and running expenses of the Central Michigan Normal School until the general appropriation for that purpose shall be available;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

CHARLES S. PIERCE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,

Lansing, January 21, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following concurrent resolution:

WHEREAS, The services of General Russell A. Alger during the war of the rebellion were of a character to distinguish him as a brave and successful union officer; and

WHEREAS, As the Governor of the State of Michigan in later years he served the State with the same loyalty and ability shown by him during the war; and

WHEREAS, General Alger has been mentioned as a possible member of the cabinet of President-elect McKinley; therefore

Resolved by the House (the Senate concurring), That it is the unanimous desire of the members of the legislature, without regard to party, to have the honor of a cabinet position offered to our friend and fellow citizen;

Resolved, That after adoption this resolution be forwarded to the President-elect after having been signed by the Lieut. Governor and the Speaker of this House, and that a copy also be sent to General Alger at Detroit;

In the adoption of which the Senate has concurred.

Very respectfully,

CHARLES S. PIERCE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The resolutions were referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Speaker and Lieut. Governor for certification.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,

Lansing, January 21, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 14, entitled

A bill to repeal act No. 221 of local acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the election of overseers of highways by ballot in the township of Ecorse, in the county of Wayne and State of Michigan;"

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has been ordered to take immediate effect, and in all of which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

CHARLES S. PIERCE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Bryan,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Allison

Alward

Babcock, C. G.

Babcock, H.

Bates

Belknap

Bemis

Bricker

Bryan

Buskirk

Cahoon

Caldwell

Mr. Fuller

Gibson

Gillam

Goodell

Goodyear

Graham

Hammond

Harris

Herrig

Hofmeister

Jackson

Kelly

Mr. O'Dett

Otis

Peek

Perry

Phillips, O. C.

Phillips, M. F.

Powers

Putney

Rulison

Savage

Sawyer

Shepard, F. M.

Mr. Campbell	Mr. Kimmis	Mr. Shepherd, F.
Clark	Lusk	Stewart
Clute	Madill	Tefft
Coad	Marsilje	Van Camp
Colvin	Mayer	Weier
Crippen	Miller	Widoe
Dickinson, L. D.	Molster	Williams
Donovan	Moore, E. W.	Wing
Eikhoff	Moore, M. G.	Zimmerman
Fleischhauer	Niedermeyer	Speaker
Foote	Oberdorffer	

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Bryan,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 21, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 15, entitled

A bill to repeal act No. 304 of local acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of two clerks by the township board of the township of Ecorse in the county of Wayne to assist in extending the tax rolls of said township;"

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has been ordered to take immediate effect, and in all of which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

CHARLES S. PIERCE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Bryan,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Allison	Mr. Foote	Mr. Oberdorffer
Alward	Fuller	O'Dett
Babcock, C. G.	Gibson	Otis
Babcock, H.	Gillam	Peek

Mr. Bates	Mr. Goodell	Mr. Perry
Belknap	Goodyear	Phillips, C. C.
Bemis	Graham	Phillips, M. F.
Bricker	Green	Powers
Bryan	Hammond	Putney
Buskirk	Harris	Rulison
Cahoon	Herrig	Savage
Caldwell	Hofmeister	Sawyer
Campbell	Jackson	Shepard, F. M.
Clark	Kelly	Shepherd, F.
Clute	Kimmis	Stewart
Coad	Lusk	Tefft
Colvin	Madill	Van Camp
Cousins	Marsilje	Weier
Crippen	Mayer	Widoe
Dickinson, L. D.	Miller	Williams
Donovan	Molster	Wing
Eikhoff	Moore, E. W.	Zimmerman
Fleischhauer	Niedermeier	Speaker

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Title agreed to,
On motion of Mr. Bryan,
By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered
to take immediate effect.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 21, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 16, entitled

A bill to repeal act No. 384 of the local acts of 1895, entitled "An act to facilitate the construction of sidewalks in road districts Nos. 10 and 13 in the township of Ecorse in the county of Wayne, State of Michigan;"

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has been ordered to take immediate effect, and in all of which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

CHARLES S. PIERCE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Bryan,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

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YEAS.

Mr. Allison	Mr. Fuller	Mr. O'Dett
Alward	Gibson	Otis
Babcock, C. G.	Gillam	Peek
Babcock, H.	Goodell	Perry
Bates	Goodyear	Phillips, C. C.
Belknap	Graham	Phillips, M. F.
Bemis	Green	Powers
Bricker	Hammond	Putney
Bryan	Harris	Rulison
Buskirk	Herrig	Savage
Cahoon	Hofmeister	Sawyer
Caldwell	Jackson	Shepard, F. M.
Campbell	Kelly	Shepherd, F.
Clark	Lusk	Stewart
Clute	Madill	Tefft
Coad	Marsilje	Van Camp
Colvin	Mayer	Weier
Consins	Miller	Widoe
Crippen	Molster	Williams
Dickinson, L. D.	Moore, E. W.	Wing
Donovan	Moore, M. G.	Zimmerman
Eikhoff	Niedermeier	Speaker
Fleischhauer	Oberdorffer	

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Bryan,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 22, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following concurrent resolution:

WHEREAS, There is now pending before congress an act to re-clasify and prescribe the salaries of railway postal clerks; and

WHEREAS, The United States railway mail service is of inestimable value to all classes of our citizens, and especially to all business interests; and

WHEREAS, The requirements of this branch of the postoffice department are very exacting, calling for ability and sacrifices seldom demanded in other branches of the government service; and

WHEREAS, The continued improvements in this branch of service continually demand additional qualifications of the employes; and

WHEREAS, In behalf of the National Railway Postal Clerks' Association, a bill has been introduced into congress to re-classify postal clerks and prescribe their salaries, said bill having been indorsed by the Honorable Postmaster General; therefore be it

Resolved (the House concurring), That the legislature of the State of Michigan do hereby endorse the said act known as H. R. Bill No. 1 and petition our representatives in the United States Senate and House of Representatives to vote for and by all just means in their power endeavor to secure the passage of said H. R. Bill No. 1.

Resolved, That a copy of the foregoing preamble and resolution be transmitted to each Senator and Member of Congress from this State, and to the honorable, the Speaker of the House of Representatives;

Which has been adopted by the Senate, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

CHARLES S. PIERCE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The question being on concurring in the adoption of the resolution, Mr. C. C. Phillips moved that the resolution be laid on the table; Which motion did not prevail.

On motion of Mr. M. G. Moore,

The resolution was referred to the committee on Labor.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STATE OFFICERS.

The Speaker announced the following:

DEPARTMENT OF STATE,
Lansing, January 22, 1897.

Hon. Lewis M. Miller, Clerk of the House of Representatives:

Dear Sir—Secretary Wade of the University of Michigan has forwarded in my care a frame of photographs which he wishes hung in some conspicuous place in the House. Will you please have this matter brought up in proper shape in order that I may receive the necessary permission?

Respectfully yours,

JOSEPH W. SELDEN,

Deputy Secretary of State.

On motion of Mr. Kelly,

The communication was referred to the committee on State Affairs. The Speaker also announced the following:

DEPARTMENT OF STATE,
Lansing, January 22, 1897.

Hon. Lewis M. Miller, Clerk of the House of Representatives:

Dear Sir—In response to a resolution adopted by the House, January 20, copy of which is hereto attached, I herewith transmit a statement

showing the annual cost of compiling, publishing and distributing farm statistics.

I have the honor to be,

Respectfully yours,

JOSEPH W. SELDEN,

Deputy Secretary of State.

Annual cost of compiling, publishing and distributing the Farm Statistics.

Paper used in blanks.....	\$67 71
Printing blanks	101 58
Envelopes	9 06
Printing envelopes.....	1 25
Circulars	5 11
Composition and presswork on printed volumes.....	584 57
Report paper used.....	151 97
Binding	236 00
Postage on reports sent supervisors and others.....	340 00
Clerk hire	3,000 00
Total	<u>\$4,497 25</u>

The communication was ordered spread on the Journal.

NOTICES.

Mr. E. W. Moore gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 182 of public acts of 1893, approved May 31, 1893, entitled "An act to amend Sec. 14 of act No. 146 of the laws of Michigan for the year 1857, entitled 'An act to provide for the organization of the Supreme Court pursuant to Sec. 2 of Art. 6 of the Constitution,' approved February 16, 1857, as amended, relative to salaries of justices of the Supreme Court, and requiring them to reside during their terms of office in the city of Lansing, being compiler's Sec. 6393 of 3d Howell's annotated statutes of the State of Michigan."

Mr. Bates gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to repeal act 162 of public acts of 1859, as amended by act No. 24 of public acts of 1879 and act No. 21 of public acts of 1887, entitled "An act to ascertain the annual cereal production of the State of Michigan."

Mr. Bates gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to repeal act 95 of public acts of 1885, entitled "An act to provide for the collection of apiarian statistics."

Mr. Clark gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 105, public acts of 1895, relative to surveyors.

Mr. Stewart gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Secs. 3, 6, 7, 9 and 11 of act No. 393 of local acts 1885, being "An act to establish a board of building inspectors in and for the city of Detroit, and to define its powers and duties."

Mr. Bates gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to amend Sec. 1 of act 77 of session laws of 1869.

Mr. Otis gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill making an appropriation for promoting the horticultural interests of the State, and the editing and compiling of the reports of the Michigan Horticultural Society.

Mr. Alward gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Secs. 29 and 30 of act 206, laws of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, etc., relative to boards of review in townships.

Mr. Goodyear gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to make an appropriation for the support of the State School for the Blind, for the repair of buildings and other improvements of said school.

Mr. Madill gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to make every form of agreement, combine, trust, contract or arrangement calculated to lessen competition in mercantile trade or manufacturing unlawful and void, and to provide a penalty therefor.

Mr. Bates gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend act No. 187 of the laws of 1887.

Mr. Hammond gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the trustees of the Eastern Michigan Asylum to erect and equip a laundry building, and to provide electric lighting for said asylum.

Mr. Belknap gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to regulate and license the business of hawking and peddling in the townships, villages and cities of the lower peninsula of Michigan.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Sawyer, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 83, entitled

A bill to provide for the analysis of water in use by the public in certain cases.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on University.

Mr. Sawyer, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 84, entitled

A bill to provide for the treatment of the children of indigent poor people that are afflicted with any curable malady or deformity at birth, and to provide for the expenses thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on University.

Mr. Sawyer, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 85, entitled

A bill to provide for the adoption, distribution and maintenance of a uniform series of school text-books throughout the State of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Sawyer, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 86, entitled

A bill to provide for the service of notices, writs or other process upon common councils, boards, commissions or other public bodies, and for the making of answers by such bodies in suits or other judicial proceedings.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Sawyer, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 87, entitled

A bill to prevent the over or fraudulent issue of stocks or bonds by any corporation.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Gillam, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 88, entitled

A bill to fix the per diem compensation of members of the State legislature from the upper peninsula for and during the session of 1897.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Lusk, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced.

House bill No. 89, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 1 and 2 of act No. 326 of the local acts of 1895 entitled, "An act to authorize the township of Whitney in Arenac county, Michigan, to borrow money upon its bonds for the improvement of certain highways in that township," approved March 13, 1895.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. C. C. Phillips, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 90, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 22, Chap. 263, public acts, relating to the summoning of jurors in the circuit courts of this State, the same being paragraph No. 7568 of Howell's annotated statutes, edition of 1882.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. F. Shepherd, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 91, entitled

A bill to amend act 261 of public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to establish a normal school in central Michigan, by adding a new section to be known as Sec. 4.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Central Michigan Normal School.

Mr. M. G. Moore, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 92, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 9 and 16 of act No. 184 of the session laws of 1895 entitled "An act to provide for the inspection of all manufacturing establishments and workshops in this State, and to provide for the enforcement, regulation and inspection of such establishments and the employment of women and children therein.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Labor.

Mr. Donovan, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 93, entitled

A bill to subject contracts of sale, where the title to the thing sold remains in the vendor, to the law relative to the filing and renewal of chattel mortgages, and to restrict the sale or disposition of such property.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Donovan, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 94, entitled

A bill to provide for more perfectly taking the census of school children, and to impose a penalty upon persons giving to census enumerators false information.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Donovan, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 95, entitled

A bill to provide for the collection and publishing of statistics of divorces in Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Graham, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 96, entitled

A bill to make an appropriation for the support of the State Agricultural College, for repairs of buildings and other improvements at said college.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS,

Being the consideration of the following:

WHEREAS, It appearing that the House is making but little progress in the matter of legislation and committee work; that the daily sessions of the House are barren of results; that members of committees could accomplish their work during the next two weeks with beneficial results to the taxpayers of this State but for the daily sessions now held; and, believing that the work of this body can be greatly expedited and much good accomplished; therefore be it

Resolved by the House (the Senate concurring), That when we adjourn it be for a period of ten days from Friday, Jan. 22, until Tuesday, Feb. 2, next, for the purpose of allowing the different committees to make the necessary investigation of the various institutions of this State.

The question being on concurring in the adoption of the resolution,

Mr. Sawyer moved that the further consideration of the resolution be indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Perry demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded.

Pending discussion,

Mr. Fleischhauer demanded the previous question.

The demand was seconded.

The question being shall the main question be now put,

The same was ordered.

The motion that the further consideration of the resolution be indefinitely postponed then prevailed, a majority of the members present voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Allison

Alward

Babcock, C. G.

Babcock, H.

Belknap

Bricker

Bryan

Buskirk

Cahoon

Caldwell

Campbell

Clark

Clute

Coad

Colvin

Mr. Fuller

Gibson

Gillam

Goodell

Goodyear

Graham

Green

Hammond

Herrig

Hofmeister

Jackson

Kimmis

Lusk

Madill

Marsilje

Mr. Otis

Peek

Perry

Phillips, C. C.

Phillips, M. F.

Powers

Putney

Rulison

Savage

Sawyer

Shepard, F. M.

Shepherd, F.

Stewart

Tefft

Van Camp

Mr. Cousins
Crippen
Dickinson, L. D.
Donovan
Fleischhauer
Foote

Mr. Molster
Moore, E. W.
Moore, M. G.
Niedermeier
Oberdorffer
O'Dett

Mr. Weier
Widoe
Williams
Wing
Zimmerman
Speaker

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Mr. Bates
Eikhoff

Mr. Kelly
Mayer

Mr. Smith

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Also, the following:

WHEREAS, The re-compilation of the laws prepared by the compiler elected by the legislature of 1895, and duly certified to the Governor by the commissioners appointed to examine the same has been referred to the legislature by the Governor; and

WHEREAS, Such compilation consists of a large amount of manuscript liable to become scattered and lost unless properly cared for; therefore

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That such compilation remain in the custody of the compiler, subject to the use of the two houses.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Fleischhauer offered the following:

Resolved, That when we adjourn today we adjourn to 8 o'clock p. m. Monday, Jan. 25th.

Mr. Graham moved that the resolution be amended by making the hour "4 o'clock" instead of "8 o'clock;"

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Lusk offered the following substitute for the resolution:

Resolved, That when this House adjourns, it be until Tuesday, Jan. 26, next, at 10 o'clock a. m.;

Which,

On motion of Mr. Kelly,

Was laid on the table.

Mr. Perry offered the following:

WHEREAS, It has been customary heretofore for the legislature to order two editions of the publication known as the Michigan Manual or "Red Book;" and

WHEREAS, Such publication of two editions of said book entails additional and unnecessary expense to the State; and

WHEREAS, The benefits or convenience derived from the publication of two editions of said book are not nearly equal to the additional expense incurred in publishing two editions of said book; therefore

Resolved by the House (the Senate concurring), That the publication of the Michigan Manual for the session of 1897 of this legislature be restricted to one edition, in such number and under such regulations as the joint committees of the House and Senate may fix upon and decide.

Pending the order that the resolution lie over one day under the rules,

Mr. Bryan moved that the resolution be made the special order for 8 o'clock next Monday evening;

Which motion,

On motion of Mr. Kelly,
Was laid on the table.

Mr. Graham offered the following:

Resolved, That when this House adjourn today it stand adjourned to 4 o'clock p. m. Monday, January 25;

Which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Perry,

Leave of absence was granted to himself until Tuesday next.

On motion of Mr. C. G. Babcock,

Leave of absence was granted to himself until Tuesday next.

On motion of Mr. Zimmerman,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Lusk until Tuesday next.

Mr. Fleischhauer moved to reconsider the vote by which the House adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That when the House adjourns today it stand adjourned to 4 o'clock p. m. Monday, Jan. 25;

Pending which,

Mr. Foote moved that the House adjourn;

Which motion prevailed, and

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until 4 o'clock p. m., on Monday next.

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Lansing, Monday, January 25, 1897.

The House met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. Atkinson, Bates, Billings, Buskirk, Caldwell, J. H. Dickinson, Foster, Gibson, Goodyear, Hofmeister, Lee, Marsilje, McGill, E. W. Moore, O'Dett, M. F. Phillips, F. Shepherd, Stewart and Van Camp.

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain,

Leave of absence was granted to all absentees for the day.

On motion of Mr. Pearson,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. O'Dett until Wednesday next on account of death.

On motion of Mr. Alward,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Marsilje until Wednesday next on account of death.

On motion of Mr. Widoe,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Clute until Tuesday afternoon.

On motion of Mr. Kelly,

Leave of absence was granted to himself for the day.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 42. By the Speaker: Memorial of the annual conference of health officers relative to the registration of births and deaths.

The memorial was read at length and spread at large on the Journal, as follows:

To the Senate and House of Representatives, State of Michigan:

Gentlemen—At the third annual conference of the health officers of Michigan, held at Ann Arbor, July 16-17, 1896, a special committee made the following report:

WHEREAS, Reliable statistics constitute so important a basis for the development of the sanitary service of the State, and since the methods of collecting these statistics in this State are such that gross errors may be made, we, members of the conference of health officers of the State of Michigan, petition the coming legislature to pass a bill for the immediate registration of births and deaths.

V. C. Vaughan, M. D.,
S. P. Duffield, M. D.,
J. F. Hicks, M. D.,
A. D. Hagadorn, M. D.,
O. L. Dales, M. D.,
S. S. French, M. D.,

Committee.

The report of the committee was unanimously adopted, and I hereby respectfully transmit the same for your consideration.

Very respectfully,

E. H. HURD, M. D.,
Secretary of Conference.

Union City, Mich., January 22, 1897.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 43. By Mr. Gillam: Petition for amendment of local act No. 326, 1895, authorizing Whitney township, Arenac county, to issue bonds.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 44. By Mr. Edgar: Resolutions of Lenawee and Hillsdale Horticultural Society opposing any change in the collection of highway taxes.

Referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Speaker announced the following:

STATE OF MICHIGAN,
EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Lansing, January 22, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved, signed and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State,

House bill No. 29, being

An act to enable the township of Leroy in Ingham county to pay for certain bridges constructed in said township in the year 1891, yet unpaid

for, owing to illegalities in the proceedings of the commissioner of highways of said township of Leroy in procuring their construction.

Respectfully,

H. S. PINGREE,
Governor.

The message was ordered spread on the Journal.

The Speaker also announced the following:

STATE OF MICHIGAN,
EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Lansing, January 22, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved, signed and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State,

House bill No. 43, being

An act to change the name of Rose Theresa Sootofskie to Rose Theresa Herman.

Respectfully,

H. S. PINGREE,
Governor.

The message was ordered spread on the Journal.

The Speaker also announced the following:

STATE OF MICHIGAN,
EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Lansing, January 22, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved, signed and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State,

House bill No. 59, being

An act to legalize certain bonds of the county of Mecosta.

Respectfully,

H. S. PINGREE,
Governor.

The message was ordered spread on the Journal.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 22, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved by the House (the Senate concurring), That we do heartily endorse the Hon. John B. Corliss in his efforts to have the immigration laws so amended as to restrict the tide of foreign labor which flows daily across our borders, robbing our citizens of employment only to return to

a foreign land to invest their earnings, thereby depriving our merchants of a large volume of business which they are justly entitled to; and be it further

Resolved, That the Secretary of State be and is hereby instructed to transmit a copy of this resolution to each of our Senators and Representatives at Washington, who are hereby requested to lend their influence to check this gross injustice to our citizens;

In the adoption of which the Senate has concurred.

Very respectfully,

CHARLES S. PIERCE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The resolutions were referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,

Lansing, January 22, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 9, entitled

A bill to authorize the common council of the village of Houghton, in the county of Houghton, to make conveyance of metals and minerals and of the right to mine the same beneath certain land owned by said village;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

CHARLES S. PIERCE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,

Lansing, January 22, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved by the House (the Senate concurring), That the State Printer be and is hereby directed in the printing of the bills of the two Houses to follow the style of the bills of the Congress of the United States, in the size of the page and style of make up, and the filing upon the back; the same to be set in long primer type with designating headlines, to be approved by the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House;

In the adoption of which the Senate has concurred.

Very respectfully,

CHARLES S. PIERCE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The message was laid on the table.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 22, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 42, entitled

A bill for the protection of fish in the lake known as Pentwater lake, situated in the township of Pentwater, county of Oceana, State of Michigan;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

CHARLES S. PIERCE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Widoe,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Fleischhauer	Mr. Peck
Allison	Fuller	Perry
Alward	Gillam	Peters
Babcock, O. G.	Goodell	Petrowski
Babcock, H.	Graham	Powers
Belknap	Green	Putney
Bemis	Gustin	Rulison
Bricker	Hammond	Sawyer
Cahoon	Herrig	Scully
Campbell	Jackson	Shepard, F. M.
Chamberlain	January	Shisler
Clark	Madill	Tefft
Coad	Mayer	Wetherbee
Connors	Miller	Whitney
Crippen	Molster	Widoe
Dickinson, L. D.	Niedermeier	Williams
Donovan	Oberdorffer	Wing
Dudley	Otis	Zimmerman
Eikhoff	Pearson	Speaker

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Title agreed to.

NOTICES.

Mr. Chamberlain gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to prohibit the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale, use and possession of cigarettes within this State, and providing a penalty therefor.

Mr. Chamberlain gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to organize the county of Pingree.

Mr. Eikhoff gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 4 of Chap. 232 of Howell's annotated statutes, relative to sale of real estate on execution, being Sec. 611 of Howell's annotated statutes.

Mr. Chamberlain gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to prohibit the wearing of hats and other head-gear at public entertainments within this State, and to prescribe a penalty therefor.

Mr. Edgar gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the erection and maintenance of shutes or ladders for the passage of fish over the dams across the Raisin river in the counties of Monroe, Washtenaw, Jackson and Lenawee, and to provide a penalty for the violation of the provisions of this act.

Mr. Graham gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 103 of Chap. 12 of the compiled laws of 1871 relative to the eligibility of persons to township offices.

Mr. Graham gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to make it unlawful for prosecuting attorneys to defend, or assist in the defense of persons charged with crime when the trial takes place in the county in which they were elected.

Mr. Alward gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to consolidate the offices of township highway commissioner and township train commissioner, and to provide that the township highway commissioner shall discharge all of the duties of both offices.

Mr. Scully gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 3 of act No. 56 of the public acts of 1889, as amended by act No. 89 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act providing for the employment, defining the duties and fixing the compensation of a stenographer for the eighth judicial circuit."

Mr. Dudley gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the encouragement of the manufacture of beet sugar and to provide a compensation therefor.

Mr. Shisler gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the construction of a bridge, across the Grand River in the township of Ada, in the county of Kent, and for the purpose of raising funds to defray the cost and expense thereof.

Mr. Mayer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill for the relief of Ira E. Lent and Frank Kelly, members of Company E, First Infantry, Michigan National Guard, and making an appropriation therefor.

Mr. Gillam gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Sec. 10 of Art. 10 of the constitution of this State, relative to the power granted to boards of supervisors, to prescribe and fix the compensation for all services rendered for, and to adjust all claims against, their respective counties.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Hammond, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 97, entitled

A bill to authorize the trustees of the Eastern Michigan Asylum to erect and equip a laundry building and to provide electric lighting for said asylum.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Eastern Asylum.

Mr. Clark, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 98, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 105 of act No. 240 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to amend Sec. 105 of Chap. 10, being compiler's Sec. 595 of the compiled laws of 1871, relating to the duties and compensation of county surveyors, approved April 3, 1869, being compiler's Sec. 624 of Howell's annotated statutes."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Otis, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 99, entitled

A bill making an appropriation for promoting the horticultural interests of the State and the editing and compiling of the reports of the Michigan State Horticultural Society.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Horticulture.

On motion of Mr. Fleischhauer,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Tuesday, January 26, 1897.

The House met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Swift.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. Atkinson, Bates, Gibson, Lee, F. Shepherd, Stewart, and Stoneman.

On motion of Mr. Sawyer,

Leave of absence was granted to all absentees for the day.

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain,

Leave of absence was granted indefinitely to the committee on the contested election case of Baird *vs.* Kerr.

The Speaker announced the following:

January 25, 1897.

Hon. W. D. Gordon, Speaker House of Representatives, Lansing, Mich.:

My Dear Sir—Will you please convey to the members of the House of Representatives my deep sense of obligation for the resolutions passed, relative to a place in President-elect McKinley's cabinet.

Coming, as this expression did, from members of all parties, makes it of priceless value to me.

Sincerely yours,

R. A. ALGER.

The communication was ordered spread on the Journal.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 45. By Mr. Pearson: Petition of A. C. Bailey and 821 others, for the repeal of the law prohibiting the sale of partridge, quail, and woodcock.

Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

No. 46. By Mr. Zimmerman: Petition urging the passage of the bill to amend Sec. 5 of general laws governing fishing in Lake St. Clair.

Referred to committee on Fisheries and Game.

No. 47. By Mr. L. D. Dickinson: Petition of 171 citizens of Brookfield, Eaton county, relative to farm statistics.

Referred to committee on Agriculture.

No. 48. By Mr. Harris: Petition of 77 citizens of Charlevoix, relative to the fishing interests of Pine lake and Round lake, Charlevoix county.

Referred to committee on Fisheries and Game.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on Towns and Counties:

The committee on Towns and Counties, to whom was referred House bill No. 89, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 1 and 2 of act No. 326 of the local acts of 1895, entitled "An act to authorize the township of Whitney, in Arenac

county, Michigan, to borrow money upon its bonds for the improvement of certain highways in that township," approved March 13, 1895;

Respectfully rejoin that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment and recommend that it do pass, and asked to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

THOMAS M. CAMBURN,

Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Lusk,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Fleischbauer	Mr. Otis
Allison	Fuller	Pearson
Alward	Gillam	Peek
Babcock, C. G.	Goodell	Perry
Babcock, H.	Goodyear	Peters
Belknap	Graham	Petrowski
Bemis	Green	Phillips, C. C.
Billings	Gustin	Phillips, M. F.
Bricker	Hammond	Powers
Buskirk	Harris	Putney
Cahoon	Herrig	Rulison
Camburn	Hofmeister	Sawyer
Campbell	Jackson	Scully
Chamberlain	January	Shepard, F. M.
Clark	Kelly	Shisler
Coad	Kerr	Tefft
Colvin	Lusk	Van Camp
Connors	Madill	Wetherbee
Crippen	McGill	Whitney
Dickinson, J. H.	Miller	Widoe
Dickinson, L. D.	Molster	Williams
Donovan	Moore, E. W.	Wing
Dudley	Niedermeyer	Zimmerman
Edgar	Oberdorffer	Speaker
Eikhoff		

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Lusk,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

NOTICES.

Mr. Chamberlain gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for a uniform style of ballot-box at all election precincts in this State where no voting machine is in use.

Mr. Williams gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the supervision by the State Banking Commissioners of all private banks and the business of all companies or persons receiving money or other valuables on deposit or in trust for others, in the same manner as now governing State banks.

Mr. Wetherbee gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 8 of act No. 262 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of mutual fire insurance companies, limited, and defining their powers and duties."

Mr. Wetherbee gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 22 of act No. 38 of the session laws of 1887, entitled "An act to amend act No. 82 of the session laws of 1873 by adding one new section thereto to stand as Sec. 22 providing for the organization of mutual fire insurance companies, to insure property in cities and villages exclusively, and to repeal act No. 174 of the laws of 1895."

Mr. Adams gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Secs. 6193, 6194, 6195, 6196, 6197, 6198, 6199, 6201, and 6202 of Howell's annotated statutes, the same being Secs. 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, and 16, of Chap. 234 of Howell's annotated statutes, entitled "Fraudulent conveyances and contracts, relative to goods, chattels, and things in action," and Secs. 1 and 2 of act 117 of the public acts of 1881.

Mr. Madill gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 9007 of second Howell's annotated statutes, and to repeal all acts allowing clerks of the supreme court of Michigan to receive fees in compensation for their services; to provide for the payment over to the State of all such fees now received by said clerks, and to provide for the payment of an annual fixed salary to said clerks.

Mr. E. W. Moore gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the City of Battle Creek.

Mr. Gustin gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 9 of article 2 of act No. 198 of the public acts of 1873, being an act entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of railroad companies and to regulate the running and management, and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroads and other corporations owning or operating any railroad in this State, being compiler's Sec. 3323 of Howell's annotated statutes, as amended by act 177 of 1877, and act 116 of 1883, and act 230 of 1887, and act 202 of 1889.

Mr. Green gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the taxation and collection of taxes of persons, companies, associations, and corporations, whether located within or without this State, engaged in running palace, drawing-room, dining or

sleeping cars over or upon any railroad situated wholly or partly within this State.

Mr. Niedermeier gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for marking of ballots by electors at all general, township or municipal elections.

Mr. Niedermeier gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the construction and maintenance of stock or cattle guards at public highways by steam railroad companies and providing damages for injury to live stock on account of the want thereof.

Mr. J. H. Dickinson gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the City of Detroit, relative to the manner of collecting water rates and the extension of mains and laterals.

Mr. Harris gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill making it lawful to take by spear certain kinds of fish in the waters of Round lake and Pine or Long lake, within the county of Charlevoix.

Mr. Connors gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the Board of Trustees of the Upper Peninsula Hospital for the Insane, located at Newberry, in the upper peninsula of Michigan, to make leases of lots or parcels of land for certain purposes.

Mr. Dudley gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 256 of local acts of 1893, relative to the Village of Grant, in Newago county, to correct clerical error in said section and to more accurately describe the boundaries of said village of Grant.

Mr. F. M. Shepard gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to detach certain territory from Oakley "Public school district" in the township of Brady, in Saginaw county, and townships of Rush and New Haven, in Shiawassee county, and attach the same to school district No. 2 of said town of Rush in Shiawassee county, Michigan.

Mr. January gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 26 and Sec. 30 of the "General Banking Law," being Sec. 3208c5, and Sec. 3208c9, respectively, of Howell's annotated statutes.

Mr. Oberdorffer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 7034 of Howell's annotated statutes, relative to writs of certiorari in justice courts.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Edgar, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 100, entitled

A bill to provide for the erection and maintenance of shutes or ladders for the passage of fish over the dams across the Raisin river and tributaries, in the counties of Monroe, Washtenaw, Jackson and Lenawee, and to provide a penalty for violations of the provisions of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Peek, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 101, entitled

A bill to authorize and empower the board of supervisors of the county of Jackson to dispose of the interest of said county in certain lands in the city of Jackson, commonly known as the "Fair Grounds."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Wetherbee, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 102, entitled

A bill to provide for the collection of delinquent taxes, on personal property remaining unpaid after the first of March in each year, in the county of Wayne.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Eikhoff, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 103, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 4 of chapter 232 of Howell's annotated statutes, relative to sales of real estate on execution, being Sec. 6111 of Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Lusk, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 104, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 8 of act No. 192 of the public acts of 1887, entitled "An act to amend Sec. No. 260 of the public acts of 1881, approved June 10, 1881, being chapter 52 of Howell's annotated statutes, relative to the protection of children in certain cases, by adding thereto four new sections to stand as Secs. 7, 8, 9 and 10 of said act," approved June 18, 1887, as amended by several acts amendatory thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Alward, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 105, entitled

A bill to consolidate the offices of township highway commissioners and township drain commissioner, and to provide that the township highway commissioner shall discharge all the duties of both offices.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. E. W. Moore, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 106, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 182 of the public acts of 1893, approved May 31, 1893, entitled "An act to amend Sec. 14 of act No. 146 of the laws of Michigan for the year 1857, entitled 'An act to provide for the organization of the supreme court pursuant to Sec. 2 of Art. 6 of the constitution, approved February 16, 1857, as amended, relative to salaries of justices of the supreme court, and requiring them to reside, during their terms of office, in the city of Lansing, being compiler's Sec. 6393 of third Howell's annotated statutes of the State of Michigan.'"

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Graham, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 107, entitled.

A bill to amend Sec. 103 of Chap. 12 of the compiled laws of 1871, being compiler's Sec. 749, as amended by act 199 laws of 1879, relative to the eligibility of persons to township offices.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Lusk offered the following:

Resolved, That beginning Wednesday, January 27, the daily sessions of the House shall commence at 2 o'clock p. m.;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Edgar offered the following:

Resolved, That the Sergeant-at-Arms be hereby instructed to interview the Board of State Auditors, and that said Board be instructed to take up the floor coverings, on the floor of the House cloak room, closets, wash room, and postoffice lobby, and cover the same with good quality of heavy linoleum or similar covering, the same to be done with the least inconvenience to business;

Also to replace the traps in the closets with modern ones, provided the same can be done while the House is in session. Also arrange gas jets so that said closets may be properly lighted;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Alward offered the following:

WHEREAS, The publication of two editions of the Legislative Manual incurs an unnecessary expense; therefore be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That the Secretary of State be and is hereby instructed to delay the publication of the Legislative Manual for the year 1897 until after the coming spring election.

Laid over one day under the rules.

Mr. Perry moved that the following resolution be taken from the table:

WHEREAS, It has been customary heretofore for the Legislature to order two editions of the publication known as the Michigan Manual or "Red Book;" and

WHEREAS, Such publication of two editions of said book entails additional and unnecessary expense to the State; and

WHEREAS, The benefits or convenience derived from the publication of two editions of said book are not nearly equal to the additional expense incurred in publishing two editions of said book; therefore

Resolved by the House (the Senate concurring), That the publication of the Michigan Manual for the session of 1897 of this Legislature be restricted to one edition, in such number and under such regulations as the joint committees of the House and Senate may fix upon and decide;

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

On motion of Mr. Perry,

The resolution was referred to the committee on Printing.

Mr. Pearson offered the following:

WHEREAS, The committee on Drainage desires to have the aid of certain statutes of other states and it is deemed necessary to have them printed in convenient form for their use and other members of the House; therefore be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the committee on Drainage are authorized to expend not to exceed twenty-five dollars for such printing;

Which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Gillam,

The House took a recess until 8 o'clock this evening.

EVENING SESSION.

8 o'clock p. m.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

The Speaker announced that the hour had arrived for the

SPECIAL ORDER,

Being the consideration of the following resolution:

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That we extend our sympathy to the Cuban people in their struggle for freedom and independence; and we request the Congress and President of the United States to recognize the Republic of Cuba as a free and independent government and to accord to the people of Cuba all the rights of a sovereign and independent government in ports and within the jurisdiction of the United States. And we ask our Senators and Representatives in Congress to secure the recognition of the Cuban Republic by the United States of America, and that the Secretary of State be instructed to transmit a certified copy of these resolutions to the President and our Senators and Representatives in Congress;

On motion of Mr. Gustin,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the special order.

Whereupon the Speaker called Mr. Donovan to the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following resolution:

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That we extend our sympathy to the Cuban people in their struggle for freedom and independence; and we request the Congress and President of the United States to recognize the Republic of Cuba as a free and independent government and to accord to the people of Cuba all the rights of a sovereign and independent government in ports and within the jurisdiction of the United States. And, we ask our Senators and Representatives in Congress to secure the recognition of the Cuban Republic by the United States of America, and that the Secretary of State be instructed to transmit a certified copy of these resolutions to the President, and our Senators and Representatives in Congress;

Have made an amendment thereto by inserting after the word "President," in the next to the last line, the words "and William McKinley, President elect of the United States," and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend the adoption of the resolution.

JOHN DONOVAN,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The question being on concurring in the adoption of the resolution, Mr. Chamberlain demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded, and the resolution was adopted by yeas and nays as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Gillam	Mr. Molster
Anderson	Goodell	Oberdorffer
Bates	Goodyear	Pearson
Bemis	Green	Perry
Buskirk	Gustin	Peters
Cahoon	Hammond	Petrowski
Caldwell	Harris	Powers
Camburn	Herrig	Putney
Chamberlain	Hofmeister	Rulison
Clark	January	Shepard, F. M.
Clute	Kelly	Shisler
Dickinson, J. H.	Lusk	Van Camp
Dudley	Madill	Whitney
Edgar	McGill	Widoe
Elkhoff	Miller	Speaker
Fleischhauer		

NAYS.

Mr. Allison
Alward
Babcock, C. G.
Babcock, H.
Billings
Bricker
Campbell

Mr. Coad
Connors
Crippen
Donovan
Fuller
Graham
Niedermeler

Mr. O'Dett
Phillips, C. C.
Phillips, M. F.
Scully
Shepherd, F.
Tefft
Zimmerman

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REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor,

House bill No. 47, entitled

An act making an appropriation for the current and running expenses of the Central Michigan Normal School until the general appropriation for that purpose shall be available;

For which your committee hold the receipt of the Executive Office dated January 26, 1897, at 10:50 o'clock a. m.

C. W. PERRY,
Acting Chairman.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor,

House bill No. 52, entitled

An act to amend act No. 108, session laws of 1895, entitled "An act to prevent the spreading of bush, vine and fruit tree pests, such as canker worm and other insects and fungus and contagious diseases, and to provide for their extirpation;"

For which your committee hold the receipt of the Executive Office dated January 26, 1897, at 10:50 o'clock a. m.

C. W. PERRY,
Acting Chairman.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor,

House bill No. 77, entitled

An act to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 97 of the session laws of 1889, entitled "An act to provide for an additional circuit judge for the seventeenth judicial circuit, and to define the powers and duties of the judges of said circuit, and to provide for the manner of conducting the business of said court as amended by act No. 82 of the session laws of 1891;"

For which your committee hold the receipt of the Executive Office dated January 26, 1897, at 10:50 o'clock a. m.

C. W. PERRY,
Acting Chairman.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor,

House bill No. 9, entitled

An act to authorize the common council of the village of Houghton in the county of Houghton, to make conveyance of metals and minerals and of the right to mine the same beneath certain land owned by said village;

For which your committee hold the receipt of the Executive Office dated January 26, 1897, at 2:15 o'clock p. m.

C. W. PERRY,
Acting Chairman.

Report accepted.

On motion of Mr. Alward,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Marsilje until Monday next on account of sickness.

Mr. Anderson, by unanimous consent, gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Chap. 91 of Howell's annotated statutes, being an act entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of railroad companies, and to regulate the running and management, and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroad and other corporations owning or operating any railroad in this State," being act No. 198 of the session laws of 1873, approved May 1, 1873, as amended by act No. 177 of the session laws of 1877, and act No. 230 of the public acts of 1887, and act No. 202 of the public acts of 1889, and acts Nos. 52, 90, and 123 of the public acts of 1891, and to add two new sections to said chapter, to stand as Secs. 26 and 27 of Art. 5.

Mr. Gillam moved that the House adjourn,

Which motion prevailed, and

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until 2 o'clock p. m. on tomorrow.



Lansing, Wednesday, January 27, 1897.

The House met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Legal.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. Lee, E. W. Moore, and Stoneman.

On motion of Mr. Fuller,

Leave of absence was granted to all absentees for the day.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 49. By Mr. Camburn: Petition of J. C. Island and 45 others relative to taking farm statistics.

Referred to committee on Agriculture.

No. 50. By Mr. Zimmerman: Petition urging the passage of the bill to amend Sec. 5 of laws governing fishing.

Referred to committee on Fisheries and Game.

No. 51. By Mr. Allison: Petition of board of supervisors of Livingston county, asking the House to define contagious diseases.

Referred to committee on Public Health.

No. 52. By Mr. Allison: Petition of supervisors of Livingston county asking to repeal all laws relative to the publication of farm statistics.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 53. By Mr. Allison: Petition from James Sexton and 50 others, to amend drain law.

Referred to committee on Drainage.

No. 54. By Mr. Allison: Petition from B. J. Allen and 123 others, to amend drain law.

Referred to committee on Drainage.

No. 56. By Mr. Adams: Petition of Hon. J. B. Ware, Hon. Wm. E. Grove, Hon. Cyrus E. Perkins, Hon. Moses Taggart and many other citizens of Grand Rapids, asking for a reopening and readjudication of the claim of Alphonzo Button against the State for injuries received in the military service of the State.

On demand of Mr. Adams, the petition was read at length and spread at large on the Journal as follows:

To the Honorable Legislature, the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan:

The undersigned, your petitioners, residents of Grand Rapids and vicinity, respectfully represent that Alphonzo Button, of Grand Rapids, aforesaid, to whom was awarded the sum of \$3,000 by the Board of State Auditors, on the 29th day of June, 1887 (pursuant to joint resolution No. 17, session laws of 1887), as compensation for the loss of his left arm entire, below the elbow, and his right hand, except the thumb and forefinger, while in the discharge of his duty in the regular military service of the State of Michigan, in our opinion was not justly compensated therefor; that considering the nature and extent of said injuries we believe the sum so awarded was entirely inadequate,—it being conceded by said joint resolution, that he was in fact justly entitled to compensation; therefore, it would seem but a simple act of justice that a rehearing should be granted in this case, and if it should appear to your honorable body that justice has not been done, and additional allowance to him should be awarded;

Therefore, your petitioners pray that such rehearing be granted, and if deemed advisable, the Board of State Auditors be authorized and instructed to pay said Button an additional compensation, not exceeding a sum certain, as to them shall seem more just and equitable, and your petitioners will ever pray, etc.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 57. By Mr. Adams: Memorial of Alphonzo Button, relative to his claim against the State for injuries received in the military service of the State.

Referred to committee on Judiciary.

No. 55. By Mr. Adams: Petition and papers of record with statements of officers of the Michigan National Guard in the matter of the

claim of George W. Crump, who was injured at Island Lake, during the State encampment of 1887.

Referred to committee on Judiciary.

No. 58. By Mr. Pearson: Petition of Zebulon T. Wheaton and others to secure depositors in banks against loss.

Referred to committee on Private Corporations.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on Agricultural College:

The committee on Agricultural College, to whom was referred

House bill No. 96, entitled

A bill to make an appropriation for the support of the State Agricultural College; for the repair of buildings, and other improvements at said College;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

R. D. GRAHAM,

Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

By the committee on State Affairs:

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 72, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of act No. 135 of the public acts of 1885, entitled "An act to amend, revise and consolidate the laws organizing asylums for the insane, and regulating the care and management thereof, and of the inmates therein, and to repeal act 164, laws of 1859; also act 194, laws of 1877; also act 91, laws of 1873, and the acts amendatory thereto; also act 172, laws of 1873," approved June 3, 1885; the same being Sec. 1930a1, Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

EDWIN S. WILLIAMS,

Acting Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State Affairs:

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 95, entitled

A bill to provide for the collection and publication of statistics of divorces in Michigan;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without

amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

EDWIN S. WILLIAMS,

Acting Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Horticulture:

The committee on Horticulture, to whom was referred

House bill No. 99, entitled

A bill asking an appropriation for promoting the horticultural interests of the State and the editing and compiling of the reports of the Michigan State Horticultural Society;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LAUREN F. OTIS,

Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

By the committee on Towns and Counties:

The committee on Towns and Counties, to whom was referred

House bill No. 78, entitled

A bill to make townships in Huron county primarily liable for the payment of all claims incurred in the care of persons sick with contagious diseases, or diseases dangerous to the public health, or incurred in preventing the spread of such diseases, where said county is now primarily liable for such payment;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

THOMAS M. CAMBURN,

Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Madill,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams

Allison

Atkinson

Babcock, H.

Bates

Belknap

Bemis

Mr. Fuller

Gibson

Gillam

Goodell

Goodyear

Graham

Green

Mr. Otis

Pearson

Peek

Perry

Peters

Petrowski

Phillips, C. C.

Mr. Billings	Mr. Gustin	Mr. Powers
Bricker	Hammond	Putney
Buskirk	Harris	Rulison
Cahoon	Herrig	Sawyer
Caldwell	Hofmeister	Shepard, F. M.
Camburn	Jackson	Shepherd, F.
Campbell	January	Shisler
Clark	Kelly	Stewart
Coad	Lusk	Tefft
Connors	Madill	Van Camp
Dickinson, J. H.	Mayer	Wetherbee
Dickinson, L. D.	McGill	Whitney
Donovan	Miller	Widoe
Dudley	Molster	Williams
Eikhoff	Niedermeyer	Wing
Fleischhauer	Oberdorffer	Zimmerman
Foster	O'Dett	Speaker

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NAYS.

Mr. Alward

Mr. Clute

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Title agreed to.

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

By the committee on Judiciary:

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 70, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 27, of Chap. 123 of the revised statutes of 1846, relative to the proceedings to recover the possession of land in certain cases, the same being compiler's Sec. 8309 of Howell's annotated statutes, as amended by act 199 of the laws of 1863;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. J. SAWYER,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Judiciary:

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 73, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. No. 1, act No. 264, of the session laws of 1889, entitled "An act relative to disorderly persons and to repeal chapter 53 of the compiled laws of 1871, as amended by the several acts amendatory thereof;"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the Senate, without

amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. J. SAWYER,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Judiciary:

The committee on Judiciary to whom was referred

House bill No. 71, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 33 of Chap. 108 of the revised statutes of 1846, relative to the action of ejectment, the same being compiler's Sec. 7819, Howell's annotated statutes;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. J. SAWYER,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Judiciary:

The committee on Judiciary to whom was referred

House bill No. 86, entitled

A bill to provide for service of notices, writs, or other process upon common councils, boards, commissions, or other public bodies, and for the making of answers by such bodies in suits or other judicial proceedings;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. J. SAWYER,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Labor:

The committee on Labor, to whom was referred the following Senate concurrent resolution, in relation to the re-classification of salaries of railway postal clerks:

WHEREAS, There is now pending before congress an act to re-classify and prescribe the salaries of railway postal clerks; and

WHEREAS, The United States railway mail service is of inestimable value to all classes of our citizens, and especially to all business interests; and

WHEREAS, The requirements of this branch of the postoffice department are very exacting, calling for ability and sacrifices seldom demanded in other branches of the government service; and

WHEREAS, The continued improvements in this branch of service continually demand additional qualifications of the employes; and

WHEREAS, In behalf of the National Railway Postal Clerks' Association, a bill has been introduced into congress to re-classify postal clerks and prescribe their salaries, said bill having been endorsed by the Honorable Postmaster General; therefore be it

Resolved (the House concurring), That the legislature of the State of Michigan do hereby endorse the said act known as H. R. Bill No. 1 and petition our representatives in the United States Senate and House of Representatives to vote for and by all just means in their power endeavor to secure the passage of said H. R. Bill No. 1;

Resolved, That a copy of the foregoing preamble and resolution be transmitted to each Senator and Member of Congress from this State, and to the honorable, the Speaker of the House of Representatives;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it be concurred in, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY EIKHOFF,

Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the adoption of the resolution,
The resolution was adopted.

NOTICES.

Mr. Eikhoff gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to regulate the findings and verdicts of jurors in civil cases in all courts of record.

Mr. Crippen gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 3 of act No. 156 of the session laws of 1851 entitled "An act to define the powers and duties of the boards of supervisors of the several counties and to confer upon them certain local, administrative, and legislative powers," the same being Sec. 475 of Howell's annotated statutes.

Mr. Graham gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the printing and distribution of laws which are of a general and public character, which have been given immediate effect.

Mr. Graham gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill providing for the assessment and collection of a uniform income tax.

Mr. Otis gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to change the name of the township of Pine Plains, in the county of Allegan, to Valley township.

Mr. Sawyer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of Chap. 163 of compiled laws of 1871, being Sec. 6025 of Howell's annotated statutes, relative to the sale of lands for the payment of debts by executors, administrators, and guardians.

Mr. Billings gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of Chap. 5, and Sec. 3 of Chap. 5, of an act entitled "An act to revise the charter of the city of Negaunee, in Marquette county," being amendatory to an act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Negaunee, in Marquette county," approved April 11, 1873, and the acts amendatory thereof, approved March 27, 1891, and the acts amendatory thereof.

Mr. Madill gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill imposing a specific tax upon corporations, chartered companies, and persons engaged in the business of mining, smelting and refining ores in this State and to assess and tax the products and exports of their mines.

Mr. Wetherbee gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 28 of an act entitled "An act to amend the laws relative to supplying the city of Detroit with pure and wholesome water," approved February 14, 1853, being act No. 90 of the acts of 1853, as amended by the various acts amendatory thereof.

Mr. Wetherbee gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A joint resolution to amend Sec. 1 of article 6 of the constitution of the State of Michigan, relative to the judicial power.

Mr. Bricker gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to repeal act No. 179 of the public acts of 1883, entitled "An act to regulate the width of wagon tires to be used with lumber wagons."

Mr. Adams gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A joint resolution to authorize and instruct the Board of State Auditors to examine into, and if they deem it justifiable, to allow the claim of Alphonzo Button for injuries sustained by him from a premature discharge of a cannon while engaged in the regular performance of his duty as a member of the gun squad of the Curtenius Guard (an organized volunteer uniformed militia company, organized under the laws of the State of Michigan) at Mason, Michigan, on the 3d day of July, 1858.

Mr. Adams gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A joint resolution directing the Board of State Auditors to settle claim made by Geo. W. Crump against the State of Michigan, for compensation for injuries received by him while superintending the removal of camp supplies and equipage from the military camp at Island Lake to the railroad station, on the ninth day of August, 1887.

Mr. Billings gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to legalize and make valid certain assessments for lateral sewer purposes in the city of Negaunee, Marquette county, Michigan, and to provide a method for collecting delinquent assessments thereunder.

Mr. Molster gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to article 4 of the constitution.

Mr. Green gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the taxation of inheritances, transfers of property by will, transfer of property by the intestate laws of this State, or transfers of property by deed, grant, bargain, sale or gift made in contemplation of the death of the grantor, vendor or donor, or intended to take effect in possession or enjoyment at or after such death.

Mr. Fuller gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to allow the village of Munising, in the county of Alger, to bond for waterworks.

Mr. O'Dett gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the incorporation of Methodist Protestant churches.

Mr. F. Shepherd gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend act No. 303 of the local acts of 1889, entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Cheboygan," and to repeal an act entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Cheboygan in the county of Cheboygan," approved March 27, 1877, as amended by act No. 202 of the local acts of 1891 and act No. 359 of the local acts of 1895.

Mr. Goodell gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to prohibit and prevent adulteration, fraud and deception in the manufacture and sale of buckwheat flour.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Oberdorffer, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 108, entitled

A bill to amend Chap. 45 of the revised statutes of the State of Michigan of 1846, entitled "Firing of woods and prairies," the same being Chap. 328 of Howell's annotated statutes, by adding three new sections thereto to stand as Secs. 4, 5 and 6 of said chapter.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Public Lands.

Mr. Sawyer, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 109, entitled

A bill to provide for service upon corporations of process issued from circuit courts in chancery.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Dudley, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 110, entitled

A bill to provide for the encouragement of the manufacture of beet sugar, and to provide a compensation therefor, and to make an appropriation therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Dudley, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 111, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1, of act No. 256 of local acts of 1893, approved March 6, 1893, entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Grant, in Newaygo county," for the purpose of correcting clerical error in said Sec. 1, and to accurately describe the boundaries of said village of Grant.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Dudley,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Elkhoff	Mr. O'Dett
Allison	Fleischhauer	Otis
Alward	Foote	Pearson
Atkinson	Fuller	Peek
Babcock, C. G.	Gibson	Perry
Babcock, H.	Gillam	Peters
Bates	Goodell	Phillips, C. C.
Belknap	Goodyear	Phillips, M. F.
Bemis	Graham	Powers
Billings	Green	Putney
Bricker	Gustin	Rulison
Buskirk	Hammond	Sawyer
Cahoon	Harris	Shepard, F. M.
Caldwell	Herrig	Shepherd, F.
Camburn	Hofmeister	Shisler
Campbell	Jackson	Stewart
Clark	January	Tefft
Clute	Kelly	Van. Camp
Coad	Lusk	Wetherbee
Colvin	Madill	Whitney
Connors	Mayer	Widoe
Crippen	McGill	Williams
Dickinson, J. H.	Miller	Wing
Dickinson, L. D.	Molster	Zimmerman
Donovan	Niedermeyer	Speaker
Dudley	Oberdorffer	

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NAYS.

Title agreed to.

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On motion of Mr. Dudley,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Harris, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 112, entitled

A bill making it lawful to take by spear certain kinds of fish in the waters of Round Lake, and Pine Lake or Long Lake, within the county of Charlevoix.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Wetherbee, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 113, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 8 of act No. 262 of the public acts of 1895, approved June 4, 1895, and entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of mutual fire insurance companies, limited, and defining their powers and duties."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Insurance.

Mr. Wetherbee, for Mr. Atkinson, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 114, entitled

A bill to permit foreign railroad companies to hold and own certain land in this State, to confirm conveyances of such land to other foreign railroad companies in certain conditions, and to authorize the recording of a copy of agreements by which such conveyances have been or may be hereafter made.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wetherbee, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 115, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 22 of act No. 38 of the session laws of 1877, entitled "An act to amend act No. 82 of the session laws of 1873, by adding one new section thereto, to stand as Sec. 22, providing for the organization of mutual fire insurance companies, to insure property in cities and villages exclusively, and to repeal act No. 174 of the laws of 1895."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Insurance.

Mr. Donovan, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 116, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 6 of Chap. 339, being Sec. 9639 of Howell's annotated statutes, relative to county jails and the regulation thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. McGill, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 117, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 3, article 3, of act No. 174 of the session laws of 1891, entitled "An act to amend Sec. 3 of article 3 of act No. 174 of the public acts of 1883, entitled 'An act to amend Secs. 7, 30, 36 and 41 of article 2, and Secs. 3 and 5 of article 3, and Sec. 14 of article 4, and to add two new sections to article 2, to stand as Secs. 45 and 46, and a new section to article 5 to stand as Sec. 22 of an act entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of railroad companies and regulate the running and managing, and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroads and other corporations owning or operating any railroad in this State," approved May 1, 1873, being act No. 198 of the session laws of 1873, the section hereby amended being Sec. 3360 of Howell's annotated statutes, Vol. 3," as amended by act 174 of the session laws of 1891.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Bates, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 118, entitled

A bill to repeal act 162 of the public acts of 1859, as amended by act No. 24 of the public acts of 1879, and act No. 21 of the public acts of 1887, entitled "An act to ascertain the annual cereal productions of the State of Michigan," being compiler's Secs. 833, 834 and 836 of the third Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Mr. Bates, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 119, entitled

A bill to repeal act 95 of the public acts of 1885, entitled "An act to provide for the collection of apiarian statistics," being compiler's Secs. 838b, 838c, of the third Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Bates, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 120, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to amend Sec. 1 of act 77 of the session laws of 1869, entitled 'An act relative to life insurance companies transacting business within this State,' " approved March 30, 1869, being compiler's Sec. 2936 of the compiled laws of 1871, Sec. 1, Chap. 131, of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan, as amended by act approved January 27, 1885.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Insurance.

Mr. Bates, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 121, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 6 of act 187 of the session laws of 1887, approved June 17, 1887, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of coöperative and mutual benefit associations, and to define the

powers and duties and regulate the transaction of the business of all such corporations and associations doing business within this State," and to add two new sections thereto to stand as Secs. 32 and 33.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Insurance.

Mr. Graham, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 122, entitled

A bill making it unlawful for prosecuting attorneys to defend or assist in the defense of any person charged with crime within their respective counties.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Adams, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 123, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 6193, 6194, 6195, 6196, 6197, 6198, 6199, 6201 and 6202 of Howell's annotated statutes, the same being Secs. 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 of Chap. 234 of Howell's statutes, entitled "Fraudulent conveyances and contracts, relative to goods, chattels, and things in action," and Secs. 1 and 2 of act 117 of the public acts of 1881.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Fleischhauer, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 124, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 3 of act 110 of the public acts of 1893, entitled "An act to amend act No. 28, laws of 1887, entitled 'An act to provide for the appointment of a Game and Fish Warden, and to prescribe his powers and duties.'"

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Shisler, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 125, entitled

A bill to provide for the construction of a bridge across the Grand river, in the township of Ada, in the county of Kent, and for the raising of funds to defray the cost and expense thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Mr. Neidermeier, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 126, entitled

A bill to provide for the marking of ballots by electors at all general township and municipal elections.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Elections.

Mr. Niedermeier, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 127, entitled

A bill to provide for the construction and maintenance of stock or cattle guards at public highway crossings by steam railroad companies,

and providing damages for injury to live stock on account of the want thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Railroads.

Mr. Mayer, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 128, entitled

A bill for the relief of Ira E. Lent and Frank Kelley, members of Company E, First Infantry, Michigan National Guard, and making an appropriation therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Herrig, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 129, entitled

A bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Saginaw county to pay its committees during the time the board is not in session, and when so first authorized by the board to serve, and the time each member of said committees may serve in any one year.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Fuller offered the following:

• *Resolved*, That the Sergeant-at-Arms be instructed to notify all clerks of committees not to ring the bells in their rooms during the first five minutes of the daily sessions of this House;

And that should said clerks fail to comply with this resolution the Sergeant-at-Arms is authorized to cut their bells off during the above mentioned time;

Which was adopted.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS,

Being the consideration of the following:

WHEREAS, The publication of two editions of the Legislative Manual incurs unnecessary expense; therefore be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That the Secretary of State be and is hereby instructed to delay the publication of the Legislative Manual for the year 1897 until after the coming spring election.

The question being on concurring in the adoption of the resolution,

Mr. Kelly moved that the resolution be referred to the committee on Printing;

Which was withdrawn.

The resolution was then adopted.

On motion of Mr. Gillam,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Thursday, January 28, 1897.

The House met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Osborne.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. Foster, Lee, Petrowsky and Stoneman.

On motion of Mr. Green,

Leave of absence was granted to all absentees for the day.

On motion of Mr. Harris,

Leave of absence was granted to committee on Home for the Feeble Minded for tomorrow.

On motion of Mr. Graham,

Leave of absence was granted to himself for today and tomorrow.

On motion of Mr. January,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Petrowsky until Saturday.

On motion of Mr. Fleischhauer,

Leave of absence was granted to himself for tomorrow.

On motion of Mr. Lusk,

Leave of absence was granted to himself until Monday next.

On motion of Mr. F. Shepherd,

Leave of absence was granted to himself for tomorrow.

On motion of Mr. Zimmerman,

Leave of absence was granted to himself for tomorrow.

On motion of Mr. McGill,

Leave of absence was granted to himself for Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Alward,

Leave of absence was granted to himself until Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Stewart,

Leave of absence was granted to himself until Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Bemis,

Leave of absence was granted to himself until Monday next.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 59. By Mr. Zimmerman: Three petitions urging the passage of bill to amend Sec. 5 of general laws governing fishing, which relates to fishing in Lake St. Clair.

Referred to committee on Fisheries and Game.

No. 60. By Mr. L. D. Dickinson: Petition of citizens of Kalamazoo county for the repeal of laws relative to collecting farm statistics.

Referred to committee on Agriculture.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on Liquor Traffic:

The committee on Liquor Traffic, to whom was referred

House bill No. 28, entitled

A bill to protect the owners of bottles, boxes, siphons, fountains, and kegs used in the sale of milk, cream, soda water, mineral or aerated

waters, porter, ale, cider, ginger ale, small beer, lager beer, Weiss beer, beer, white beer or other beverages;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. W. Moore,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Military Affairs:

The committee on Military Affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 128, entitled

A bill for the relief of Ira E. Lent and Frank Kelley, members of Co. E, First Infantry, Michigan National Guard, and making an appropriation therefor;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Edwin S. Williams,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Judiciary:

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 20, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 73 of the public acts of 1889, entitled "An act to amend Sec. 1 of an act entitled 'An act to authorize proceedings by garnishment in the circuit courts and the district court of the upper peninsula,' approved March 16, 1861, as the same has been amended by the several acts amendatory thereof, the same being Sec. 8058 of Howell's annotated statutes of the State of Michigan," and to repeal Sec. 33 of chapter 277 (being compiler's Sec. 8089) of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House with amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. J. Sawyer,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Sawyer,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Judiciary:

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 21, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 123 of the public acts of 1885, entitled "An act to protect defendants in actions when they have given notice of set-off;"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. J. Sawyer,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Judiciary:

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 32, entitled

A bill relating to negotiable instruments, being an act to establish a law uniform with the laws of other States on that subject;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

A. J. Sawyer,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Sawyer,

The request was granted, and the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee.

By the Committee on Judiciary:

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 36, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 45 of Chap. 158 of the compiled laws of 1871, as amended by act No. 92 public acts of 1885, the same being Sec. 5932 of the third volume of Howell's annotated statutes, relative to the payment of debts and legacies of deceased persons;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House with amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. J. Sawyer,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Sawyer,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Judiciary:

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 122, entitled

A bill making it unlawful for prosecuting attorneys to defend or assist in the defense of any person charged with crime within their respective counties;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House with amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. J. Sawyer,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the amendments made to the bill by the committee,

Mr. Graham moved to amend the report by substituting the following for Sec. 2 of the bill as reported:

"Section 2. When a criminal case commenced by the people of the State of Michigan within any county of this State shall be transferred to another county for trial for any reason whatsoever, it shall be the official duty of the prosecuting attorney of the county to which said case is transferred, upon request of the prosecuting attorney of the county from which said case was so transferred, to assist in the prosecution of the case in every way in his power, and under no circumstance shall he defend or assist in the defense of the defendant or defendants in such trial: Provided, That in such case where he shall be called upon to assist, the county from which said case was transferred shall pay such charges to said prosecuting attorney as the court may allow;

Which motion prevailed.

The report as amended was then concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Graham,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill having been read a third time and the question being upon its passage, pending the taking of the vote thereon,

On motion of Mr. Sawyer,

The bill was laid on the table.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Speaker announced the following:

STATE OF MICHIGAN,
EXECUTIVE OFFICE.
Lansing, January 27, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved, signed and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State,

House bill No. 9, being

An act to authorize the common council of the village of Houghton, in the county of Houghton, to make conveyance of metals and minerals,

and of the right to mine the same beneath certain land owned by said village.

Respectfully,
H. S. Pingree,
Governor.

The message was ordered spread on the Journal.

The Speaker also announced the following:

STATE OF MICHIGAN,
EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Lansing, January 27, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved, signed and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State,

House bill No. 47, being

An act making an appropriation for the current and running expenses of the Central Michigan Normal School until the general appropriation for that purpose shall be available.

Respectfully,
H. S. Pingree,
Governor.

The message was ordered spread on the Journal.

The Speaker also announced the following:

STATE OF MICHIGAN,
EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Lansing, January 27, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved, signed and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State,

House bill No. 52, being

An act to amend act No. 108, session laws of 1895, entitled "An act to prevent the spreading of bush, vine and fruit tree pests, such as canker worm and other insects, and fungus and contagious diseases, and to provide for their extirpation."

Respectfully,
H. S. Pingree,
Governor.

The message was ordered spread on the Journal.

The Speaker also announced the following:

STATE OF MICHIGAN;
EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Lansing, January 28, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved, signed and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State,

House bill No. 77, being

An act to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 97 of the session laws of 1889, entitled "An act to provide for an additional circuit judge for the 17th judicial circuit and to define the powers and duties of the judges of said circuit, and to provide for the manner of conducting the business of said court," as amended by act No. 82 of the session laws of 1891.

Respectfully,

H. S. Pingree,
Governor.

The message was ordered spread on the Journal.

NOTICES.

Mr. Clute gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the incorporation of homes for aged, infirm or indigent men or women.

Mr. Kelly gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to revise the charter of the city of Muskegon.

Mr. Adams gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend act 402 of the local acts of the State of Michigan, for the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, being an act entitled "An act to amend Sec. 2 of act No. 379, of the local acts of the State of Michigan," for the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one, entitled "An act to provide for the compensation and to prescribe the duties of certain officers of the county of Kent," approved June 26, 1891.

Mr. F. Shepherd gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the sale of State tax lands.

Mr. Stewart gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of an act entitled "An act to authorize the board of control to transfer the St. Mary's Falls canal with the property belonging to the same to the United States."

Mr. Goodell gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to require township boards to make and publish annually an itemized statement of the receipts and disbursements of all money in the township funds.

Mr. Campbell gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to prevent publishers of newspapers or periodicals from collecting any money for any newspapers or periodicals sent through the mail for a longer period than that subscribed for or ordered, except as herein-after separately stipulated in this bill.

Mr. Zimmerman gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 4414, compiled statutes 1871, being Sec. 5882 of Howell's annotated statutes, relative to sales of real estate held by executors and administrators under execution, and mortgage sales.

Mr. Peters gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend act No. 205 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to regulate the admission to practice of attorneys, solicitors and counsellors, to provide a board of examiners, and to repeal conflicting acts.

Mr. Camburn gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend and revise the charter of the city of Adrian.

Mr. Molster gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 13, act No. 35, of the laws of 1867, being Sec. 3548 of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan, so as to more clearly determine the limits of the duration of street railroad privileges in the highways and streets.

Mr. Lusk gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of act No. 222 public acts of 1887, being compiler's Sec. No. 9315 of Howell's annotated statutes, entitled "An act to prevent crime and to punish truancy."

Mr. McGill gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the commencement and prosecution, in any of the courts of this State, of suits and other legal proceedings upon existing and future causes of action, against all express, transportation, despatch and fast freight companies, or lines, and all associations, companies, or partnership, whose business is, or involves, handling, transporting, expressing, shipping, or delivering freight or express matter for others, within, or across this state, in their association, partnership, or artificial name; and defining and fixing the liability in suits of the association, company or partnership, and of the associates or members composing it; and prescribing the manner of service and execution of process and the jurisdiction and the procedure of such suits.

Mr. Bemis gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide that persons acquitted of certain crimes upon the ground of insanity, shall be committed to an asylum for the insane.

Mr. Goodyear gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 5 of act No. 205 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to regulate the admission to practice of attorneys, solicitors, and counselors; to provide for a board of examiners, and to repeal conflicting acts.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. L. D. Dickinson, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 130, entitled

A bill to repeal "An act to ascertain the annual cereal products of the State of Michigan," approved February 14, 1859, as amended by act No. 24, session laws of 1879, and by act No. 21 of the public acts of 1887.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Mr. Eikhoff, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 131, entitled

A bill to regulate the findings and verdicts of jurors in civil cases in all courts of record.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Otis, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 132, entitled

A bill to change the name of the township of Pine Plains in the county of Allegan, to Valley township.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Belknap, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 133, entitled

A bill to regulate and license the business of hawking and peddling goods, wares and merchandise in the several townships, villages and cities of this State, and to repeal inconsistent acts.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Green, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 134, entitled

A bill to provide for the taxation and collection of taxes of persons, companies, associations and corporations, whether located within or without this State, engaged in running palace, drawing-room, dining and sleeping cars, over or upon any railroad situated wholly or partly within this State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Wetherbee, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 135, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 28 of an act entitled "An act to amend the law relative to supplying the city of Detroit with pure and wholesome water," approved February 14, 1853, being act No. 90 of the acts of 1853, as amended by the various acts amendatory thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Sawyer, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 136, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of Chap. 163 of the compiled laws of 1871, being Sec. 6025 of Howell's annotated statutes, relative to the sale of lands for the payment of debts by executors, administrators, and guardians.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Crippen, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 137, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 3 of act No. 156 of the session laws of 1851, entitled "An act to define the powers and duties of the boards of supervisors of the several counties, and to confer upon them certain local, administrative, and legislative powers," the same being Sec. 475 of Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. O'Dett, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 138, entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of Methodist Protestant churches.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Religious and Benevolent Societies.

Mr. Graham, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 139, entitled

A bill to provide for the printing and distribution of all laws of a public and general character which have been given immediate effect.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Printing.

Mr. Oberdorffer, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 140, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 7034 of Howell's annotated statutes, relative to writs of certiorari in justice courts.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Green, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 141, entitled

A bill to provide for the taxation of inheritances, transfers of property by will, transfer of property by the intestate laws of this State, or transfers of property by deed, grant, bargain, sale or gift, made in contemplation of the death of the grantor, vendor or donor, or intended to take effect in possession or enjoyment at or after such death.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Wetherbee, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House joint resolution No. 4, entitled

Joint resolution to amend Sec. 1 of Art. 6 of the constitution of the State of Michigan, relative to the judicial power.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Gillam, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House joint resolution No. 5, entitled

Joint resolution, proposing an amendment to Sec. 10 of Art. 10 of the constitution of this State, relative to the powers granted to boards of supervisors, to prescribe and fix the compensation for all services rendered for, and to adjust all claims against their respective counties.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Adams, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House joint resolution No. 6, entitled

A joint resolution to authorize and instruct the Board of State Auditors to examine into, and if they deem it justifiable, to allow the claim of Alphonzo Button for injuries sustained by him from a premature discharge of a cannon while engaged in the regular performance of his duty as a member of the gun squad of the Curtenius Guard (an organized volunteer uniformed militia company, organized under the laws of the State of Michigan), at Mason, Michigan, on the 3d day of July, 1858.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Adams, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House joint resolution No. 7, entitled

A joint resolution directing the Board of State Auditors to settle claim made by George W. Crump against the State of Michigan, for compensation for injuries received by him while superintending the removal of camp supplies and equipage from the military camp at Island Lake to the railroad station, on the 9th day of August, 1887.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Sawyer,

The House went into committee of the whole on the general order.

Whereupon the Speaker called Mr. Clark to the chair.

After some time spent therein the committee rose and, through their chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following:

1. Senate bill No. 20, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 73 of the public acts of 1889, entitled "An act to amend Sec. 1 of an act entitled 'An act to authorize proceedings by garnishment in the circuit courts and the district court of the upper peninsula, approved March 16, 1861, as the same has been amended by the several acts amendatory thereof, the same being Sec. 8058 of

Howell's annotated statutes of the State of Michigan," and to repeal Sec. 33 of chapter 277 (being compiler's Sec. 8089) of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan.

2. Senate bill No. 21, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act 123 of the public acts of 1885, entitled "An act to protect defendants in action when they have given notice of set-off;"

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend their passage.

J. N. Clark,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

Pending the order that the two named bills be placed on the order of third reading,

Mr. Sawyer moved that the rules be suspended, and the two bills be put upon their immediate passage;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Eikhoff moved that the two bills be printed at length in the Journal;

Which motion prevailed.

The two bills were then ordered placed on the order of third reading.

The bills are as follows:

Senate bill No. 20, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of Act No. 73 of the public acts of 1889, entitled "An act to amend Sec. 1 of an act entitled 'An act to authorize proceedings by garnishment in the circuit courts and the district court of the upper peninsula,' approved March 16, 1861, as the same has been amended by the several acts amendatory thereof, the same being Sec. 8058 of Howell's annotated statutes of the State of Michigan," and to repeal Sec. 33 of chapter 277 (being compiler's Sec. 8089) of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan.

Section 1. The People of the State of Michigan enact, That Sec. 1 of act No. 73 of the public acts of 1889, entitled "An act to amend Sec. 1 of an act entitled 'An act to authorize proceedings by garnishment in the circuit courts and the district court of the upper peninsula,' approved March 16, 1861, as the same has been amended by the several acts amendatory thereof, the same being Sec. 8058 of Howell's annotated statutes of the State of Michigan," be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

(8058) Section 1. That in all personal actions arising upon contract, express or implied, brought in the several courts or municipal courts of civil jurisdiction, whether commenced by declaration, writs of capias, summons or attachment, and in all cases where there remains any sum unpaid upon any judgment or decree rendered in any of the several courts hereinbefore mentioned or upon any transcript of a judgment filed in said courts, if the plaintiff, his agent or attorney, shall file with the clerk of said circuit court at the time of, or after the commencement of suit, or at any time after rendition of judgment or decree or the filing of a transcript of judgment, an affidavit stating that he has good reason to believe, and does believe, that any person (naming him) has property, money, goods, chattels, credits or effects in his hands or under his cus-

today or control, belonging to the defendant, or any or either of the defendants, or that such person is indebted to the defendants, or any or either of the defendants, whether such indebtedness is due or not, and that the principal defendant (naming him or them) is justly indebted to the plaintiff on such contract, judgment, decree or transcript, in a given amount, over and above all legal set-offs, and that the plaintiff or affiant is justly apprehensive of the loss of the same, unless a writ of garnishment issue to the aforesaid person, a writ of garnishment shall be issued, sealed, and tested in the same manner as writs of summons, and directed to the sheriff, reciting the commencement of said suit or the rendition of judgment or decree against the principal defendant, or any or either of the defendants, or the filing of a transcript of judgment, and the filing of the affidavit aforesaid, and thereupon commanding said sheriff to warn and summon such person to appear before said court on or before a day to be named therein, which day shall not be less than fourteen days from the date of issuing the same, to make disclosure in writing under his oath, to be filed with the clerk of said court, touching his liability as garnishee of the principal defendant, or any or either of the defendants (naming him or them) as charged in said affidavit, and thenceforth pay no money and deliver no property to the principal defendant, or any or either of the defendants, and of said writ make due return.

(8089) Sec. 2. Sec. 33 of Chap. 277 (being compiler's Sec. 8089) of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan, is hereby repealed.

Senate bill No. 21, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 123 of the public acts of 1885, entitled "An act to protect defendants in actions when they have given notice of set-off."

Section 1. The People of the State of Michigan enact, That Sec. 1 of act No. 123 of the public acts of 1885, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 1. That in any action hereafter commenced in this State when the defendant has given notice of set-off or recoupment, the plaintiff shall not be allowed to discontinue his suit or submit to a non-suit without the consent of the defendant.

Mr. Buskirk moved that when the House adjourn today, it stand adjourned until Monday next at 4:30 o'clock p. m.;

Which motion did not prevail.

On motion of Mr. VanCamp,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Friday, January 29, 1897.

The House met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. O'Dell.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. J. H. Dickinson, Gustin, Kelly, Lee, M. F. Phillips, Stoneman, Vought.

On motion of Mr. Gillam,
Leave of absence was granted to all absentees for the day.

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain,
Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Gustin until Thursday.

On motion of Mr. Widoë,
Leave of absence was granted to committee on Upper Peninsula
Prison indefinitely.

Mr. Fuller, by unanimous consent, offered the following:

Resolved, That when the House adjourn today it stand adjourned
until 7:30 p. m. on Monday, February 1;

Which was adopted.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the joint committees on Judiciary, Insurance and Elections:

The Judiciary Committee, the Insurance Committee, and the Election
Committee, have unanimously agreed upon Harry A. Silsbee as their
clerk, and have appointed him for the place in accordance with the
instructions of the House, the appointment to date from January 20th
instant.

A. J. Sawyer,
Chairman Judiciary Committee.

W. R. Bates,
Chairman Insurance Committee.

A. E. Stewart,
Chairman Election Committee.

Report accepted.

On motion of Mr. Sawyer,
The report was adopted.

By the committee on State Affairs:

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred
House bill No. 116, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 6 of Chap. 339, being Sec. 9639 of Howell's anno-
tated statutes, relative to county jails and the regulation thereof;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration,
and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without
amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged
from the further consideration of the subject.

E. S. Williams,
Acting Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole
and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State Affairs:

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred
House bill No. 63, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 364 of Chap. 10 of the compiled laws of 1857, and
acts amendatory thereto, the same being Sec. 502 of Howell's annotated
statutes, relative to compensation of supervisors;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to report the same back to the House with amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. S. Williams,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Fuller,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State Affairs:

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred
House bill No. 119, entitled

A bill to repeal act 95 of the public acts of 1885, entitled "An act to provide for the collection of apiarian statistics," being compiler's Sec 838b, 838c, of the third Howell's annotated statutes;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. S. Williams,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State Affairs:

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred
House bill No. 27, entitled

A bill to provide for the registration of deaths in Michigan and requiring certificates of death and to repeal all of that part of act No. 194 of 1867, as amended by act No. 125 of 1869, relating to the collection and return of deaths inconsistent with this act;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. S. Williams,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Wetherbee,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Insurance:

The committee on Insurance, to whom was referred

House bill No. 121, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 6 of act 187 of the session laws of 1887, approved June 17, 1887, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of co-operative and mutual benefit associations, and to define the powers and duties and regulate the transaction of the business of all such corporations and associations doing business within this State," and to add two new sections thereto to stand as Secs. 32 and 33;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

W. R. Bates,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Insurance:

The committee on Insurance, to whom was referred

House bill No. 120, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to amend Sec. 1 of act 77 of the session laws of 1869, entitled 'An act relative to life insurance companies transacting business within this State,' approved March 30, 1869, being compiler's Sec. 2936 of the compiled laws of 1871, Sec. 1, Chap. 131, of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan," as amended by act approved January 27, 1885;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

W. R. Bates,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STATE OFFICERS.

The Speaker announced the following:

BOARD OF STATE AUDITORS,
Lansing, January 28, 1897.

To the House of Representatives, Lansing, Mich.:

The Board of State Auditors have received notice through the Sergeant-at-Arms of the House of the resolution adopted January 27, 1897, requesting the Board to cover the floor of the House cloak room, closets, wash room and postoffice lobby with linoleum or similar covering, and also to put in new closets.

The superintendent has been instructed to secure linoleum and lay the same at once.

As to putting in new closets at this time it will be impossible to do that work while the House is in session and the Board can do nothing further with that matter unless instructed by the legislature, with an appropriation to cover the cost.

Respectfully,

S. A. Commons,

Clerk Board of State Auditors.

The communication was ordered spread on the Journal.

The Speaker also announced the following:

BOARD OF STATE AUDITORS,

Lansing, January 28, 1897.

To the House of Representatives, Lansing, Mich.:

Your communication of the 13th inst., containing the resolution of the House of Representatives, instructing and demanding that the Board of State Auditors return at once to Representative Hall the picture of Zachariah Chandler, which now adorns the walls of the Senate Chamber, has been laid before the Board of State Auditors.

The Board request me to say that they have made inquiries in regard to the ownership of the picture in question and the conditions surrounding same, and find that the picture of Zachariah Chandler, while owned by Mr. L. T. Ives, the artist, or his son, Percy S. Ives, and awaiting a purchaser, occupied a space in Representative Hall; that the portrait was afterwards purchased by Mrs. Zachariah Chandler and donated to the State, under the conditions that it should occupy and be accorded space upon the walls of the Senate Chamber, and that the donor requests that the location of the picture be not changed.

In view of these facts, the Board of State Auditors do not feel that they have power to comply with the demands of the House.

Very respectfully,

S. A. Commons,

Clerk Board of State Auditors.

The communication was ordered spread on the Journal.

NOTICES.

Mr. Petrowsky gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the running of street cars in cities of 150,000 inhabitants and give five minute service on lines in said cities.

Mr. Oberdorffer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of Chap. 67 of the compiled laws of 1871, entitled "The destruction of wolves and other noxious animals," said chapter being Chap. No. 70 of Howell's statutes, and to add a new section thereto to stand as Sec. 14 of said chapter.

Mr. Pearson gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to repeal the law prohibiting the sale of partridge, quail, woodcock, etc.

Mr. Pearson gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A joint resolution to amend Secs. 15 and 33 of Art. 4 of the constitution.

Mr. Goodell gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to prohibit and prevent adulteration, fraud and deception in the manufacture and sale of articles of food and drink," approved May 22, 1895, by adding thereto a new section, and to re-number certain other sections of said act.

Mr. Whitney gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to detach certain territory from the city of North Muskegon, county of Muskegon, and State of Michigan, and attach said territory to the township of Laketon in said county.

Mr. Connors gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 127 of act No. 154 of the public acts of 1895, relative to taxation.

Mr. Eikhoff gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to prohibit any person, firm or corporation from selling, giving, delivering or issuing to any person employed by him, or in payment of wages of labor not due, any scrip, token, draft, check or other evidence of indebtedness, purporting to be payable or redeemable otherwise than in money, and to provide a penalty therefor.

Mr. Green gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to fix and determine the age limit of persons eligible for life insurance and life benefits, and to provide a penalty for the violation of any of the provisions thereof.

Mr. Green gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize and provide for the incorporation of local building and loan associations, and for defining their powers and duties.

Mr. Fuller gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend act No. 28 of the public acts of 1887, entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of a Game and Fish Warden, and to prescribe his powers and duties."

Mr. Fuller gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend act No. 56 of the session laws of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the purchase and display of United States flags on public school buildings within this State."

Mr. Molster gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the employment of convicts in the penal institutions of this State.

Mr. Van Camp gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill amending Sec. 4 of act No. 17 of the public acts of 1893, relative to elections.

Mr. Van Camp gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 8 of an act entitled "An act to prevent the spread of contagious diseases of fruit trees," being act No. 109 of the session laws of 1895.

Mr. Herrig gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the plugging of salt wells when the same are no more in use.

Mr. Colvin gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend act No. 124 of the public acts of 1865, as amended, the same being Sec. 1591 of Howell's annotated statutes of this State, relative to legal holidays.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Goodyear, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 142, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 5 of act No. 205 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to regulate the admission to practice of attorneys, solicitors and counselors, to provide for a board of examiners, and to repeal conflicting acts."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Chamberlain, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 143, entitled

A bill to prohibit obstructing the view of persons in theaters, halls, or opera houses, where theatrical performances are given, and to provide a penalty therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. McGill, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 144, entitled

A bill to authorize the commencement and prosecution, in any of the courts of this State, of suits and other legal proceedings upon existing and future causes of action, against all express, transportation, despatch and fast freight companies, or lines, and all associations, companies, or partnerships, whose business is, or involves handling, transporting, expressing, shipping, or delivering freight or express matter for others, within, through or across this State, in their association, partnership or artificial name, and defining and fixing the liability in such suits of the association, company, or partnership, and of the associates or members composing it, and prescribing the manner of service and execution of process and the jurisdiction and procedure of courts in such suits.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Peters, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 145, entitled

A bill to provide for the branding, stamping or placarding of all articles manufactured in whole or in part by convict or pauper labor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Labor.

Mr. Molster, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 146, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 13 of act No. 35 of the laws of 1867, being Sec. 3548 of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan so as to more clearly determine the limits of the duration of street railroad privileges in the highways and streets.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Scully, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 147, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 3 of act No. 56 of the public acts of 1889, as amended by act No. 89 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act providing for the employment, defining the duties and fixing the compensation of a stenographer for the eighth judicial circuit, State of Michigan, and to provide for the collection and disposition of stenographer's fee," approved April 23, 1889, the same being compiler's Sec. 6522g5 of Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Stewart, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 148, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of an act entitled "An act to authorize the board of control to transfer the St. Mary's Falls Ship Canal, with the property belonging to the same to the United States," the same act being No. 17 of the session laws of 1881, approved March 3, 1881, so that said section as amended shall authorize and direct said board of control to transfer all moneys remaining in the canal fund to the United States in the consideration of the construction, by the United States, of a marine hospital for the use and benefit of sick or disabled seamen; said section so amended being compiler's Sec. No. 5504 of Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committees on State Affairs and Federal Relations.

Mr. Zimmerman, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 149, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 4414 of compiled laws of 1871, being Sec. 5882 of Howell's annotated statutes of the State of Michigan, relative to sales of real estate held by executors and administrators under execution and mortgage sales.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Anderson, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 150, entitled

A bill to amend Chap. 91 of Howell's annotated statutes, being an act entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of railroad companies, and to regulate the running and management, and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroad and other corporations owning or operating any railroad in this State," being act No. 198 of the session laws of 1873, approved May 1, 1873, as amended by act No. 177 of the session laws of 1877, and act No. 230 of the public acts of 1889, and acts Nos. 52, 90 and 123 of the public acts of 1891; and to add two new sections to said chapter, to stand as Secs. 26 and 27 of Art. 5.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Railroads.

Mr. Anderson, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 151, entitled

A bill to revise the charter of the city of Grand Rapids.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Campbell, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 152, entitled

A bill to prevent publishers of newspapers or periodicals from collecting any money for any newspapers or periodicals sent through the mail for a longer period than that subscribed for or ordered, except as herein-after stipulated in this bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Billings, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 153, entitled

A bill to legalize and make valid certain assessments for lateral sewer purposes in the city of Negaunee, Marquette county, Michigan, and to provide a method for collecting delinquent assessments thereunder.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Local Taxation.

Mr. Goodell, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 154, entitled

A bill to require township boards to make and publish annually an itemized statement of the condition of the finances of the township in relation to the receipts and disbursements made by the township board.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Goodell, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 155, entitled

A bill to prohibit and prevent adulteration, fraud and deception in the manufacture and sale of buckwheat flour.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Mr. Shisler, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 156, entitled

A bill to provide that in all graded school districts in which a newspaper is published, the proceedings of the board of education shall be published.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Adams, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 157, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 402 of the local acts of the State of Michigan, for the year 1895, being an act entitled "An act to amend Sec. 2 of act No. 379 of the local acts of the State of Michigan for the year 1891, entitled 'An act to provide for the compensation and to prescribe the duties of certain officers of the county of Kent,' approved June 26, 1891.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Adams,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill having been read a third time and the question being upon its passage, pending the taking of the vote thereon,

On motion of Mr. Stewart,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Molster, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House joint resolution No. 8, entitled

Joint resolution proposing amendments to Secs. 1 and 20 of Art. 4 of the constitution of this State and also to add three new sections thereto, to stand as Secs. 50, 51 and 52, relative to granting legislative power to the electors, and the manner of exercising the same.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

Senate bill No. 20, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 73 of the public acts of 1889, entitled "An act to amend Sec. 1 of an act entitled 'An act to authorize proceedings by garnishment in the circuit courts and the district court of the upper peninsula,' approved March 16, 1861, as the same has been amended by the several acts amendatory thereof, the same being Sec. 8058 of Howell's annotated statutes of the State of Michigan," and to repeal Sec. 33 of chapter 277 (being compiler's Sec. 8089) of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan;

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Edgar	Mr. Pearson
Allison	Eikhoff	Perry
Anderson	Foster	Peters
Atkinson	Fuller	Petrowsky
Babcock, C. G.	Gibson	Phillips, C. C.
Bates	Gillam	Phillips, M. F.
Belknap	Goodell	Powers
Billings	Goodyear	Putney
Buskirk	Hammond	Rulison
Cahoon	Herrig	Scully
Caldwell	Hofmeister	Shepard, F. M.
Campbell	January	Shisler
Chamberlain	Madill	Stewart
Clark	Mayer	Tefft
Clute	McGill	Wetherbee
Coad	Miller	Whitney
Colvin	Molster	Widoe
Connors	Niedermeler	Williams
Dickinson, L. D.	Oberdorffer	Zimmerman
Donovan	O'Dett	Speaker
Dudley	Otis	

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NAYS.

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Title agreed to.

Senate bill No. 21, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act 123 of the public acts of 1885, entitled "An act to protect defendants in actions when they have given notice of set-off."

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Fuller	Mr. Peters
Allison	Gibson	Petrowsky
Anderson	Gillam	Phillips, M. F.
Babcock, C. G.	Goodyear	Powers
Bates	Hammond	Putney
Belknap	Herrig	Rulison
Billings	Hofmeister	Scully
Buskirk	Jackson	Shepard, F. M.
Cahoon	January	Shisler
Caldwell	Mayer	Stewart
Chamberlain	McGill	Tefft
Clark	Miller	Van Camp
Clute	Molster	Wetherbee
Coad	Niedermeler	Whitney

Mr. Colvin	Mr. Oberdorffer	Mr. Widoe	
Connors	O'Dett	Williams	
Dickinson, L. D.	Otis	Zimmerman	
Dudley	Pearson	Speaker	
Eikhoff	Perry		56

NAYS. 0

Title agreed to.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Fuller moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of

House bill No. 128, entitled

A bill for the relief of Ira E. Lent and Frank Kelley, members of Co. E, First Infantry, Michigan National Guard, and making an appropriation therefor;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Fuller,

The bill was re-committed to the committee on Military Affairs.

On motion of Mr. Perry,

Leave of absence was granted to committee on U. P. Hospital for Insane.

Mr. Gillam moved that the House adjourn;

Which motion prevailed, and

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until 7:30 o'clock p. m., on Monday next.

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Lansing, Monday, February 1, 1897.

The House met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Miller.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. Atkinson, Davis, J. H. Dickinson, Goodyear, Kelly, Lee, E. W. Moore, Peters, Vought and Zimmerman.

On motion of Mr. Kimmis,

Leave of absence was granted to all absentees for the day.

On motion of Mr. Harris,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. E. W. Moore until Thursday next on account of death in his family.

On motion of Mr. Fuller,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Peters until Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Wetherbee,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Stewart until Wednesday next.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 61. By Mr. Connors: Petition of the board of supervisors of Chippewa county, relative to lands delinquent for taxes, placing the same open for homestead entry.

Referred to the committee on General Taxation.

No. 62. By Mr. Gillam: Memorial of freeholders of Hill township, Ogemaw county, praying for authority to borrow money on the bonds of said township.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor,

Concurrent resolution No. 3, being

Concurrent resolution endorsing the action of the Hon. John B. Corliss in his efforts to have the emigration laws amended so as to restrict foreign emigration;

For which your committee hold the receipt of the executive office dated January 30, 1897, at 11 o'clock a. m.

Richard Pearson,
Acting Chairman.

Report accepted.

By committee on Religious and Benevolent Societies:

The committee on Religious and Benevolent Societies, to whom was referred

House bill No. 138, entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of Methodist Protestant Churches;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

G. W. Rulison,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

The select committee, to whom was referred the Baird-Kerr election contest, involving the right to a seat in this House,

Respectfully report that they have concluded the taking of testimony, in the county of Saginaw, but that owing to the fact that the transcribing of the testimony, which will cover upwards of one thousand pages, as estimated, has not been completed, a report cannot be ready to submit to the House before the middle or latter part of the coming week.

F. C. Chamberlain,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

NOTICES.

Mr. Wetherbee gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the appointment of guardians of habitual drunkards, and of persons so addicted to the excessive use of intoxicating liquors or narcotic drugs as to need medical or sanitary treatment or care, and to repeal act 241 of public acts of 1879.

Mr. Washer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the transfer of money from the contingent fund of Bay county to the general fund of the board of county road commissioners of Bay county.

Mr. Stoneman gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Secs. 1, 3, 4, 5, 9 and 10 of act No. 460 of the local acts of 1895, and to add one new section to said act.

Mr. Connors gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 7 of act 28 of the public acts of 1887, entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of a game and fish warden and to prescribe his powers and duties," as amended by act No. 110 of the public acts of 1893.

Mr. Connors gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill providing for additional buildings at the asylum for the insane, located at Newberry, in the upper peninsula.

Mr. Clark gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 9 of act No. 206 of the public acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal act No. 200 of the public acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act."

Mr. Smith gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the incorporation of the "Finnish Temperance Friends' Association of America."

Mr. Smith gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend continuous paragraph 7449, being Sec. 34 of Chap. 262 of Howell's annotated statutes.

Mr. Smith gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the village of Laurium, in the county of Houghton, to borrow money and issue bonds therefor, to the amount of \$35,000, for the purpose of constructing sewers and establishing a sewer system.

Mr. Putney gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to change the name of Thomas O'Connor to Thomas E. O'Connor.

Mr. F. M. Shepard gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend act No. 125 of the public acts of the legislature of the State of Michigan for the year 1895, entitled "An act to reorganize the seventh judicial circuit and the thirtieth judicial circuit and to designate the places of holding court therein and to create the thirty-fifth judicial circuit and for the employment, duties and compensation of a stenographer for said thirty-fifth judicial circuit.

Mr. January gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the maintenance of actions by and against unincorporated voluntary associations, clubs and societies.

Mr. January gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for obtaining service of process upon unincorporated voluntary associations, clubs and societies.

Mr. Gillam gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to vacate the township of Mills in the county of Ogemaw, and to incorporate its territory within the adjoining township of Horton in Ogemaw county.

Mr. Gillam gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to vacate the township of Logan in the county of Ogemaw, and to incorporate its territory within the adjoining township of Churchill in Ogemaw county.

Mr. Gillam gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to vacate the township of Foster in the county of Ogemaw, and to incorporate its territory within the adjoining township of Rose in Ogemaw county.

Mr. Gillam gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to vacate the township of Beaver Lake in the county of Ogemaw, and to incorporate its territory within the adjoining township of Klacking in Ogemaw county.

Mr. Gillam gave notice that at same future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Alcona county to issue ten thousand dollars of bonds for the purpose of paying matured orders and existing indebtedness.

Mr. Gillam gave notice that at same future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the township of Hill in the county of Ogemaw and State of Michigan to borrow money to be used in the payment of outstanding orders of said township, and to issue bonds therefor.

Mr. Foote gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the trustees of the Michigan Asylum for the Insane to convey certain lands in the city of Kalamazoo for the purpose of extending Wheaton avenue.

Mr. Foote gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to allow the spearing of fish in the inland lakes and streams through the ice during January, February and March.

Mr. Chamberlain, gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill providing for the examination of warrants or orders issued by the township of Ironwood, in the county of Gogebic, prior to January 1, 1897, and authorizing said township to exchange its certificates of indebtedness for such warrants as may be found to be legal obligations against said township, and for any final judgment rendered against said township by a court of competent jurisdiction within this State on an obligation against said township, existing prior to said date, and to provide for the payment of said certificates.

Mr. Rulison gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to change the name of the Michigan Mining School to Michigan College of Mines.

Mr. Edgar gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to revise amend, and consolidate the election laws of the State of Michigan.

Mr. Mayer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to prohibit the hunting or killing of quail or disturbing the nests and eggs of same, and to provide a penalty therefor.

Mr. Graham gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to prevent the introduction or spread of San Jose scale or other injurious insects or contagious diseases of trees, vines, shrubs or plants grown in this State or imported from other states, provinces or countries.

Mr. Adams gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the distribution of the assets of insolvents, the jurisdiction, power and duties of certain courts and officers therein, the discharge of insolvent debtors, and the punishment of fraudulent and other prohibited acts in relation to the subject-matter, being a general insolvency law.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Foote, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 158, entitled

A bill to reincorporate the city of Kalamazoo, and to repeal an act entitled "An act to reincorporate the village of Kalamazoo and to repeal all inconsistent acts and parts of acts," approved March 15, 1861, as amended by the several acts amendatory thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Foote,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Oberdorffer, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 159, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of Chap. 67 of the compiled laws of 1871, entitled "The destruction of wolves and other noxious animals," said chapter being Chap. No. 70 of Howell's annotated statutes, and to add a new section thereto to stand as Sec. 14 of said chapter.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Pearson, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 160, entitled

A bill to repeal act No. 223 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to amend act No. 196 of the public acts of 1893, entitled 'An act to regulate the possession, use, transportation and sale of fish and game,'" by adding a new section thereto to stand as Sec. 5a, approved May 31, 1895.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Molster, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 161, entitled

A bill to provide for the employment of convicts in the penal institutions of the State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Labor.

Mr. Eikhoff, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 162, entitled

A bill to prohibit any person, firm, company or corporation from selling, giving, delivering or issuing to any person employed by him or it in payment of wages of labor not due, any script, token, draft check or other evidence of indebtedness purporting to be payable or redeemable otherwise than in money, and to provide a penalty therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Labor.

Mr. Whitney, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 163, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the city of North Muskegon, county of Muskegon and State of Michigan, and attach said territory to the township of Laketon in said county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Billings, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 164, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of Chap. 5, and Sec. 3 of Chap. 5 of an act entitled "An act to revise the charter of the city of Negaunee, in Mar-

quette county, being amendatory to an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the city of Negaunee, in Marquette county,' approved April 11, 1873, and the acts amendatory thereof," approved March 27, 1891, and the acts amendatory thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Stoneman, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 165, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 1 and 5 of act No. 120 of the public acts of 1893, approved May 25, 1893, entitled "An act to amend Secs. 1 and 5 of act No. 25 of the public acts of 1887, approved March 9, 1887, entitled 'An act to provide for three additional circuit judges for the third judicial circuit,' so as to provide one other additional circuit judge for the third judicial circuit.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Savage, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 166, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 1 and 2 of act No. 186 of the public acts of 1867, as amended by act No. 113 of the public acts of 1871, as amended by act 138 of the public acts of 1875, as amended by act No. 83 of the public acts of 1885, as amended by act 267 of the public acts of 1895, being an act entitled "An act to authorize dissection in certain cases, for the advancement of science."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Public Health.

Mr. Chamberlain, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House joint resolution No. 9, entitled

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to Sec. 15 of Art. 4 of the constitution of this State, relative to the compensation of members of the legislature.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Chamberlain, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House joint resolution No. 10, entitled

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to Sec. 33, of Art. 4 of the constitution of this State, relative to the time for holding sessions of the legislature, and limiting the same to a definite period.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. O'Dett offered the following:

WHEREAS, We have learned with sorrow of the untimely death of the Hon. Fred H. Bathey, a member of the House of 1891 and 1893; be it

Resolved, That as an appreciation of his many estimable qualities, and as a mark of respect to his memory, this House do now adjourn; Which, after remarks by Messrs. Fuller and Chamberlain in eulogy of the deceased, was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

Whereupon,

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until 2 o'clock p. m. on tomorrow.

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Lansing, Tuesday, February 2, 1897.

The House met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Osborne.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. Atkinson, J. H. Dickinson, Kelly, Lee and Zimmerman.

On motion of Mr. Clark,

Leave of absence was granted to all absentees for the day.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 63. By Mr. Foote: Petition of Geo. Fuller, of Kalamazoo, and 9 others, asking amendment of Sec. 35 of Chap. 215, relative to certain liens upon personal property.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 64. By Mr. Buskirk: Petition of C. C. Rogers and 127 other citizens of Plainwell, asking that the open season for killing deer begin not earlier than November 1.

Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

No. 65. By Mr. Bates: Resolution of the board of health of the city of Flint, with copy of proposed bill attached, relative to the labeling of baking powders.

On demand of Mr. Bates,

The resolution and proposed bill were read at length and spread at large on the Journal, as follows:

Flint, Mich., February 1, 1897.

Resolved, That the board of health of the city of Flint, State of Michigan and county of Genesee, would most respectfully petition the people of the State of Michigan, in legislature assembled, to cause the following proposed act to become a part of the law of this State (copy appended). We most earnestly ask that every package containing chemicals, and commonly known as baking powders, shall have printed thereon, and in plain sight, its true composition and the name and amount of each ingredient therein.

Oscar Millard,
Acting Health Officer.

This may certify that at a meeting of the board of health of the city of Flint, held at my office, the above resolution was unanimously passed by said board while in special session.

Fred P. Baker,

Clerk of the Board of Health of Flint, Mich.

The following is the proposed bill:

A bill to regulate the manufacture and sale of baking powder and chemical substance used for the purpose of making vesiculated or spongiform bread, also the regulation of the business thereof, and for the punishment for violation of the provisions of this act, and to repeal all existing acts inconsistent therewith.

Section 1. The People of the State of Michigan enact, That all substance furnished or sold for the purpose of rendering bread light, spongiform or vesiculated, and commonly called baking powder, shall have printed on each and every package, in plain sight, in the English language, in Roman faced nonpareil type, the exact composition or percentage of each and every substance entering into such compound or compounds.

Sec. 2. The relative quantity or percentage of cream of tartar, soda, alum, superphosphate of lime, and also the percentage of such starch or other substance used as a diluent or absorber of moisture, must be shown on each and every package in character and form as in the preceding section of this act.

Sec. 3. Any person or persons refusing or neglecting to comply, in every particular, with the terms and conditions of this act, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof in any court of competent jurisdiction shall be subject to a fine of not less than \$25 and not more than \$100, or by imprisonment in the county jail for not less than thirty days nor more than ninety days, or by both such fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the court.

Sec. 4. Any person offending against this act after the first conviction shall be subject to a fine of not less than \$100 and not more than \$500, or imprisonment in the Detroit House of Correction for a period not less than three months and not more than one year, or both such fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the court.

Sec. 5. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

The resolution and accompanying proposed bill were referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 66. By Mr. Edgar: Resolutions adopted by the Wayne County Medical Society in regard to the bill now before the legislature, prepared by the Michigan medical legislation league.

On demand of Mr. Edgar,

The resolutions were read at length and spread at large on the Journal, as follows:

WHEREAS, A bill to provide for a board of registration in medicine, introduced through the influence of the Michigan medical legislation league, is now before the legislature of this State, and

WHEREAS, This bill requires that the said board shall consist of nine members, five of whom must be selected from among irregular practitioners, thus giving them absolute control of examinations and granting

licenses for practice of medicine for all future candidates, although these irregular practitioners constitute only about one-fifth of the whole number of practitioners in the State, and

WHEREAS, The said bill does not demand that even four members out of the nine, or any number shall consist of regular practitioners, merely providing that there shall be no more than four persons on this board chosen from the school of medicine known as regular, thus of necessity leaving the other five to be chosen from among irregular practitioners while it does not place a similar limit to the whole number of irregulars, merely providing that only two shall be selected from the Homeopathic school, two from the Eclectic school and one from the Physio-Medical school, thus leaving it possible for other irregular practitioners to be appointed in sufficient numbers to fill all the places on the board; and

WHEREAS, The bill does not provide for the exclusion of a horde of quacks that have settled in this State after having been driven from other states by the operation of laws that have been enacted for the regulation of the practice of medicine; and

WHEREAS, Any law for the protection of the people of this State against quackery and empiricism, in justice, should be made retroactive in regard to this class of practitioners; and

WHEREAS, It is contrary to the genius of this government and the avowed policy of the great political parties to recognize sectarianism in making public appointments; therefore be it

Resolved, That any board of registration in medicine should be non-sectarian; and further be it

Resolved, That in the opinion of this society Sec. 1 of the bill proposed by the Michigan medical legislation league should be amended by striking out all references to schools or pathies so as to read as follows:

Section 1. The People of the State of Michigan enact, that the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, shall appoint nine resident electors of the State, who shall constitute a board of registration in medicine. All of the persons so appointed shall be learned in the profession of medicine; shall be graduates from recognized and reputable medical colleges and shall have been actively engaged in the practice of medicine for at least six years immediately preceding the time of such appointment. Such persons shall be appointed in three classes, each class to consist of three persons. The first class shall be appointed and hold office for three years, the second for two years, and the third for one year respectively, beginning with the first day of September in the present year, and until their successors are appointed; and thereafter the Governor shall appoint, before the first day in September in each year, three persons qualified as aforesaid, to hold office for three years from the first day of September next ensuing. No member of said board shall belong to the faculty of any medical college or university, or be financially interested in the manufacture of drugs or the practice of pharmacy. Any member of said board may, for malfeasance, be removed from office by the Governor. Vacancies in said board shall be filled in accordance with the provisions of this act for the establishment of the original board, and the persons appointed to fill a vacancy shall hold office during the unexpired term of the member whose place he fills. The business of this board shall be transacted by, and receive an affirmative vote from at least five of the nine members.

And section 3 should be amended so that division 1 shall read as follows:

1. The applicant shall be registered and given a certificate of registration, and he shall present proof of his having already been registered under the act of 1883 as amended in 1887, entitled "An act to promote public health:" *Provided, however,* That upon complaint upon oath being made by any reputable citizen of the State that any persons, naming him or her, is engaged in the practice of medicine or surgery in any of its branches, and that said person is not, as the affiant verily believes, properly qualified under the provisions of this act, and containing the further statement that the affiant knows, or has good reasons to believe, and does believe that said person removed to this State in order to escape the operation of the law regulating the practice of medicine in force in the state, territory or county from which such person removed, said board shall issue a citation directed to the person named in the affidavit, citing him or her to appear before said board at a time and place to be mentioned in said citation, and to submit to an examination under the provisions of this act. Which citation shall be personally served upon said person at least ten days before the day mentioned therein for the appearance before said board. Upon the appearance of such person before said board, or upon some date to which the same may be adjourned, said board shall proceed to examine into the charges contained in such affidavit, and in case they shall ascertain that said person so charged did remove to this State with a view to escape the operation of any law regulating the practice of medicine they shall then proceed to examine into the qualifications of such persons to continue the practice of medicine or surgery in any of its branches, and in case they find him or her unfit, they shall so certify and thereafter such person shall be prohibited from the practice of medicine and surgery in this State; and in case such person shall be found qualified under the provisions of this act, said board shall so certify and give to such person a proper certificate, agreeable to the provisions of this act. The fee for applicants of this class shall be one dollar.

Resolved, That when the said bill shall have been amended as above, then this society will endorse and work for its passage, otherwise it recommends that the bill does not pass, believing that any law which places the licensing board under the control of irregular practitioners, will be so conducted as to retard the development of scientific medicine and be worse in the end than the present state of affairs.

Resolved, That a committee of five, including the president and secretary, be appointed by this society to urge upon the committee of the legislature to which this bill may be referred, the amendments here proposed.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the legislature.

(Signed)

Hal. C. Wyman.

B. R. Hoyt.

E. B. Smith.

Geo. E. Frothingham,

President.

J. A. Patton,

Secretary.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 67. By Mr. Chamberlain: Memorial asking the passage of the bill prohibiting the manufacture, sale and use of cigarettes.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 68. By Mr. Babcock: Resolution of the board of supervisors of Branch county relative to the salary of commissioner of schools.

Referred to the committee on Education.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on Rules and Joint Rules:

The committee on Rules and Joint Rules, to whom was referred the proposed amendment to rule No. 58,

Respectfully report that they have considered the same and recommend that rule No. 58 be amended to read as follows:

Rule No. 58. No person unless introduced by a member shall be admitted within the bar of the House, except the Executive, members of the Senate, the heads of the departments of the State government, judges, members of congress, those who have been members of congress, of the constitutional conventions of the State, of the State legislature, and such persons as the Speaker shall assign places as reporters (all persons provided for as above shall be known to the sergeant-at-arms, and such persons introduced shall be admitted within the bar only upon the personal request of a member each time such courtesy is granted).

O. B. Fuller,

Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the report,

On motion of Mr. Sawyer,

The report was laid on the table.

By the committee on Rules and Joint Rules:

The committee on Rules and Joint Rules having had under consideration House rule No. 34, respectfully recommend that said Rule No. 34 be amended so as to read as follows:

Rule 34. Any member who voted on that side of the question which prevailed may move for a reconsideration thereof on the same or next succeeding day; and such motion shall take precedence of all other questions, except a motion to adjourn; but shall not be renewed on the same day. A motion to reconsider any question, if laid on the table, may be taken therefrom and disposed of at any time within the period allowed by this rule for moving a reconsideration. The motion to postpone indefinitely shall not be reconsidered.

O. B. Fuller,

Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the report,

The report was adopted, two-thirds of the members elect voting therefor.

By the committee on Public Lands:

The committee on Public Lands, to whom was referred

Petition No. 36 relative to setting aside submerged lands in Lake Erie for public shooting grounds;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House and recommend that it be referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

S. W. Mayer,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Mayer,

The petition was referred as requested by the committee to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

NOTICES.

Mr. Belknap gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the taxation and regulation of the business of manufacturing, selling, keeping for sale, furnishing, giving or delivering spirituous and intoxicating liquors, and malt, brewed or fermented liquors, and vinous liquors in this State, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the same.

Mr. Otis gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 105, Chap. 10, being compiler's Sec. 595 of the compiled laws of 1871 relating to the duties and compensation of county surveyors, approved April 3, 1869, being compiler's Sec. 624 of Howell's annotated statutes.

Mr. Peek gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill providing for barring the right of dower of insane, imbecile or idiotic women and authorizing sale or mortgage of such dower right.

Mr. Peek gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 7 of act No. 28 of the laws of 1887, entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of a game and fish warden."

Mr. Peek gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 36 of act No. 190 of the laws of 1891, entitled "An act prescribing the manner of conducting and to prevent fraud and deception at elections in this State."

Mr. January gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the division of the 15th ward of the city of Detroit, and make a new ward to be known as the 17th ward.

Mr. Bates gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to regulate the manufacture and sale of baking powder and chemical substance used for the purpose of making vesiculated or spongy-form bread, also the regulation of the business thereof, and for the punishment for violation of the provisions of this act and to repeal all existing acts inconsistent therewith.

Mr. Bates gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 55 of Chap. 154 of the revised statutes of 1846, entitled offenses against property, as added by act No. 110 of the public acts of 1885, being Sec. 9176a of Howell's annotated statutes.

Mr. Foote gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the continuance of the recompilation and copying of records in the office of the Adjutant General, pertaining to the enlistment of soldiers and sailors from this State during the war of the rebellion.

Mr. Foote gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 35 of Chap. 215, relative to certain liens upon personal property.

Mr. Graham gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of act No. 3, laws of 1873, entitled "An act to provide for the payment of the members and officers of the legislature."

Mr. Bemis gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for an annual license and the payment of an annual license on, and filing a statement of, earnings of all sleeping, drawing-room, palace, parlor and chair cars used upon the railroads of this State, and to repeal all laws contravening any of the provisions of this act.

Mr. Scully gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the incorporation of Temperance Volunteers' Associations within the State of Michigan.

Mr. Washer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide legal counsel for the board of county road commissioners of Bay county, and to require the prosecuting attorney of Bay county to act as legal counsel and advisor of said commissioners.

Mr. Lusk gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to the constitution of the State of Michigan, by adding to article 18 thereof three new sections to stand as Secs. 16, 17, 18, relative to free passes, etc.

Mr. Foster gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to legalize the proceedings of the board of the Northern Michigan Asylum at Traverse City in the purchase of certain real estate.

Mr. Madill gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to form and incorporate school district No. 6 in Colfax township, Huron county, Michigan.

Mr. Wetherbee gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize and empower judges of probate, in certain cases, to license executors, administrators and guardians to borrow money by mortgaging or otherwise pledging the estates of deceased persons and persons under guardianship, and to repeal act No. 165, laws of Michi-

gan of 1861, entitled "An act to authorize and empower judges of probate to license executors, administrators and guardians to mortgage or otherwise pledge estates for the settlement of debts against the same," and acts amendatory thereof.

Mr. Anderson gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

Joint resolution for the relief of Louis Schmidt, a private of Co. H, second regiment, Michigan State troops, who was injured while in the line of duty, by the premature discharge of a gun at Grand Haven, on July 4, 1884.

Mr. Green gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill regulating the care of poor persons within St. Clair county.

Mr. McGill gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill for the ascertainment and protection of the interests of the State in escheated estates.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Chamberlain, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 167, entitled

A bill providing for the examination of warrants or orders issued by the township of Ironwood, in the county of Gogebic, prior to January 1, 1897, and authorizing said township to exchange its certificates of indebtedness for such warrants as may be found to be legal obligations against said township, and for any final judgment rendered against said township by a court of competent jurisdiction within this State on an obligation against said township, existing prior to said date, and to provide for the payment of said certificates.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Davis, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 168, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 17 and 26 of act 202 of the public acts of 1893, entitled "An act to prescribe the manner of conducting and to prevent fraud and deception at elections in this State."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Elections.

Mr. Whitney, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 169, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 466 of the local acts of 1895, being an act to reincorporate the city of North Muskegon, in Muskegon county, and to detach certain territory from the town of Laketon in said county and attach the same to said city, and to detach certain territory from the former city of North Muskegon and attach the same to the town of Laketon, and to repeal act No. 215 of the local acts of 1891, entitled "An act to incorporate the city of North Muskegon, in Muskegon county, and to

detach certain territory from Muskegon township in said county and attach the same to said city, and to repeal act No. 159 of the local acts of 1881, entitled 'An act to incorporate the village of North Muskegon,' by amending Secs. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14 of Chap. 8, and by adding two new sections to Chap. 11 of said acts, being Secs. 9 and 10.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Babcock, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 170, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 10 of act No. 147 of the public acts of 1891, entitled "An act to provide for the election of a county commissioner of schools, for the appointment of school examiners, and to define the duties and fix the compensation for the same, and to repeal all existing acts or parts of acts conflicting with the provisions of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Smith, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 171, entitled

A bill to amend continuous paragraph 7449, being Sec. 34 of Chap. 262 of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Smith, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 172, entitled

A bill to authorize the village of Laurium, in the county of Houghton, State of Michigan, to borrow money and issue bonds therefor to the amount of thirty-five thousand dollars, for the purpose of constructing sewers and establishing a sewer system.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Village Corporations.

Mr. Smith, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 173, entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of the Finnish Temperance Friends' association of America.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Clark, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 174, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 9 of act No. 206 of the public acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied, making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased, and to repeal act No.

200 of the public acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in any wise contravening any of the provisions of this act."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Lusk, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 175, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of act No. 222 of the public acts of 1887, being compiler's Sec. No. 9315 of Howell's annotated statutes, entitled "An act to prevent crime and to punish truancy."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. F. M. Shepard, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 176, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 125 of the public acts of the legislature of the State of Michigan, for the year A. D. 1895, entitled "An act to reorganize the seventh judicial circuit, and the thirtieth judicial circuit, and to designate the places of holding court therein, and to create the thirty-fifth judicial circuit, and for the employment, duties and compensation of a stenographer of said thirty-fifth judicial circuit.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Sawyer, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 177, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 9 of Chap. 84 of the revised statutes of 1846, entitled "Of divorce," and being Sec. 6231 of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan, as amended by act No. 202 of the session laws of 1895, relating to divorce.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Foote, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 178, entitled

A bill to allow the spearing of fish.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Foote, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 179, entitled

A bill to authorize and empower the trustees of the Michigan Asylum for the Insane to convey certain State land in the city of Kalamazoo, for the purpose of extending Wheaton avenue.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Michigan Asylum.

Mr. Rulison, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 180, entitled

A bill to change the name of "Michigan Mining School" to "The Michigan College of Mines."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on School of Mines.

Mr. Graham, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 181, entitled

A bill to prevent the introduction or spread of San Jose scale or other injurious insects or infectious diseases of trees, vines, shrubs, or plants grown in this State or imported from other states, provinces, or countries.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Horticulture.

Mr. Wetherbee, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 182, entitled

A bill to provide for the appointment of guardians of habitual drunkards, and of persons so addicted to the excessive use of intoxicating liquors or narcotic drugs as to need medical or sanitary treatment or care, and to repeal act No. 241 of the public acts of 1879.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Connors, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 183, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 7 of act No. 28 of the public acts of 1887, entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of a game and fish warden, and to prescribe his powers and duties," as amended by act No. 110 of the public acts of 1893.

The bill was read a first and second time and referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Connors, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 184, entitled

A bill providing for additional buildings at the asylum for insane, located at Newberry in the upper peninsula of Michigan, known as the "Upper Peninsula Hospital for the Insane," for the furnishing and equipment of said buildings and the further furnishing and equipment of said asylum.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Upper Peninsula Asylum.

Mr. Green, unanimous consent being asked and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 185, entitled

A bill to provide for the management of corporations incorporated under act No. 50, public acts 1887, and all acts amendatory thereto: Provided, That such corporation is doing any part of its business through the medium of local boards, and outside of the county where the business office of such corporation is located, and to provide a penalty for any violation of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. January, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 186, entitled

A bill to provide for the maintaining of actions by and against unincorporated voluntary associations, clubs and societies.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. January, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 187, entitled

A bill to provide for obtaining service of process upon unincorporated voluntary associations, clubs and societies.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Gillam, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 188, entitled

A bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Alcona county, State of Michigan, to issue ten thousand dollars of bonds for the purpose of paying matured orders and existing indebtedness.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Gillam,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Foote	Mr. Peek
Allison	Foster	Perry
Alward	Fuller	Phillips, C. C.
Anderson	Gibson	Phillips, M. F.
Babcock, C. G.	Gillam	Powers
Bates	Goodyear	Putney
Belknap	Graham	Reed
Bemis	Green	Rullison
Billings	Hammond	Savage
Bricker	Harris	Sawyer
Bryan	Herrig	Scully
Buskirk	Hofmeister	Shepard, F. M.
Cahoon	Jackson	Shisler
Caldwell	January	Smith
Camburn	Kimmis	Stoneman
Campbell	Lusk	Tefft
Chamberlain	Madill	Van Camp
Clark	Marsilje	Vought
Colvin	Mayer	Washer
Connors	McGill	Weier
Cousins	Miller	Wetherbee
Crippen	Niedermeier	Whitney
Davis	Oberdorffer	Williams

Mr. Dickinson, L. D.
Edgar
Elkhoff

Mr. O'Dett
Otis
Pearson

Mr. Wing
Speaker

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Gillam,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Gillam, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 189, entitled

A bill to authorize the township of Hill in the county of Ogemaw and State of Michigan to borrow money to be used in the payment of outstanding orders of said township, and to issue bonds therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Gillam,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill having then been read a third time and the question being upon its passage, pending the taking of the vote thereon,

Mr. Herrig moved to amend the bill by inserting after the word "electors" in the proviso of Sec. 1, the words "who are taxpayers"; also by inserting in line 2, Sec. 2, after the word "electors," the words "who are taxpayers";

Which motion prevailed.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams
Allison
Alward
Anderson
Babcock, C. G.
Babcock, H.
Bates
Belknap
Bemis
Billings
Bricker
Bryan
Buskirk
Cahoon
Caldwell
Camburn
Campbell
Chamberlain
Clark
Coad
Colvin

Mr. Edgar
Foote
Foster
Fuller
Gibson
Gillam
Goodyear
Graham
Green
Hammond
Harris
Herrig
Hofmeister
Jackson
January
Kimmis
Lusk
Marsilje
Mayer
McGill
Miller

Mr. Pearson
Perry
Phillips, C. C.
Phillips, M. F.
Powers
Putney
Reed
Rulison
Savage
Sawyer
Scully
Shepard, F. M.
Shisler
Smith
Stoneman
Tefft
Van Camp
Vought
Washer.
Weier
Wetherbee

Mr. Connors
Cousins
Crippen
Davis
Dickinson, L. D.

Mr. Niedermeier
Oberdorffer
O'Dett
Otis

Mr. Whitney
Williams
Wing
Speaker

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Gillam,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Fuller, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 190, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 28 of the public acts of 1887, entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of a game and fish warden and to prescribe his powers and duties."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Smith, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House joint resolution No. 11, entitled

Joint resolution for the relief of Mrs. Margaret Heimes, of Calumet, Mich., on account of the death of her son while in the active discharge of military duty.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Wetherbee offered the following:

Resolved, That the Speaker of the House appoint a special committee to consist of seven members to visit the Detroit house of correction, ascertain the condition of the inmates thereof, its sanitary condition and such other matters as may be of interest to this House in the control and management of the penal institutions of the State;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Perry moved that a respectful message be sent to the Senate, asking the return to the House of

Senate bill No. 42, entitled

A bill for the protection of fish in the lake known as Pentwater lake, situated in the township of Pentwater, county of Oceana, State of Michigan;

For the purpose of giving the same immediate effect;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. McGill offered the following:

WHEREAS, One of the standing committees of this House is designated and known as the committee on the Institution for the Deaf and Dumb; and

WHEREAS, The statutory name of said institution is School for the Deaf; therefore be it

Resolved, That the name of the House committee on the Institution for the Deaf and Dumb be, and is hereby changed to the committee on the School for the Deaf;

Which,

On motion of Mr. Fuller,

Was laid on the table.

Mr. Bates offered the following:

Resolved, That each member of this House be requested to hand to the clerk of the House his local address in Lansing and that the clerk be instructed to cause to be printed on the last page of the Journal of every Friday during the session a list of the names of the members with their local address.

Resolved, That as the red book will not be issued until after the spring election, the Secretary of State be requested to furnish each member of the House two advance copies of the diagram of the House showing the seats of the House with the names of the members of the House printed thereon;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Gillam offered the following:

WHEREAS, A bill has been introduced into the National House of Representatives known as H. R. 10090, for the purpose of abolishing ticket brokers, and entitled, a bill to amend the act, entitled "An act to regulate commerce," and

WHEREAS, The provisions of this proposed act, if carried into effect, would not only wipe out ticket brokerage but deny to every citizen the right to dispose of his own property in the open market respecting railroad transportation, and in case of such disposal would be branded a felon punishable by fine and imprisonment; and

WHEREAS, The passage of such a bill or act would, in effect, be in violation of the recognized rights of the people, and is, in effect, a grab at the public purse for the benefit of railroad corporations and to the injury of the traveling public; therefore, be it

Resolved, by the House of Representatives of the State of Michigan, That we denounce the measure as unjust, and one that tends rather to protect corporate interests than to benefit or in any manner favor the rights and privileges of the mass of American citizens; and be it further

Resolved, That we recommend to our Representatives in Congress that they use all honorable means in their power to defeat the passage of any such measure; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to our Representatives in Washington, to the Speaker of the House, President of the Senate, to the President of the United States, and to the chairman of the interstate commerce commission;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Graham moved to take from the table,

House bill No. 122, entitled

A bill making it unlawful for prosecuting attorneys to defend or assist in the defense of any person charged with crime within their respective counties;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Graham,

The bill was referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Adams moved to take from the table,
House bill No. 157, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 402 of the local acts of the State of Michigan, for the year 1895, being an act entitled "An act to amend Sec. 2 of act No. 379 of the local acts of the State of Michigan for the year 1891, entitled 'An act to provide for the compensation and to prescribe the duties of certain officers of the county of Kent,' approved June 26, 1891;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Adams,

The bill was referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. January offered the following:

WHEREAS, Our eminently distinguished son and illustrious citizen, General Russell A. Alger, has been honored with the portfolio of Secretary of War in President-elect McKinley's cabinet; and

WHEREAS, The people of this commonwealth feel immeasurably honored for having within our borders such an ennobling personage, who has shone lustre on our State in national affairs by reason of such appointment; therefore be it

Resolved by the House, That we tender our hearty congratulations to General Russell A. Alger for having so advanced our State in national pride and himself to such jealous distinction; and, be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be endorsed by the clerk of the House, and forwarded to General Alger;

Which was adopted.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Fuller,

The House went into committee of the whole on the general order, whereupon

The Speaker called Mr. Herrig to the chair.

After some time spent therein the committee rose and, through their chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following:

House bill No. 67 (file No. 5), entitled

A bill to provide fans or blowers in all workshops or establishments where emery wheels or wheels composed partly of emery or buffing wheels or emery wheels are used;

But not having gone through therewith, have no recommendations to make in regard thereto.

Peter Herrig,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

Mr. Davis moved to discharge the committee from the further consideration of the bill, and that it be recommitted to the committee on Labor;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Foote,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Powers until Friday next.

On motion of Mr. Fuller,
Leave of absence was granted to committee on State House of Correction for tomorrow.

On motion of Mr. Davis,
The House adjourned.

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The House met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. O'Dell.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. Crippen and Kelly.

On motion of Mr. Connor,

Leave of absence was granted to all absentees for the day.

On motion of Mr. Belknap,

Leave of absence as granted to Mr. Lee indefinitely on account of sickness.

On motion of Mr. Peek,

Leave of absence was granted to committee on Asylum for Criminal Insane until Saturday next.

On motion of Mr. Fuller,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Crippen until Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Lusk,

Leave of absence was granted to committee on University until Saturday next.

On motion of Mr. Shepard,

Leave of absence was granted to himself until Saturday next.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 69. By Mr. Foote: Resolutions of the Ministerial Alliance of Kalamazoo, relative to the licensing of houses of ill-fame.

On demand of Mr. Foote,

The resolutions were read at length and spread at large on the Journal, as follows:

WHEREAS, The bill for licensing houses of ill-fame, now before the Legislature, is inimical to the interests of the home, the community, and the State, and also a stain upon her fair name; be it

Resolved, By the Ministerial Alliance of the city of Kalamazoo that we protest against the passage of the said bill.

L. DeLamarter,

President.

Geo. K. McDonald,

Secretary.

Kalamazoo, January 25, 1897.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 70. By Mr. Jackson: Petition of O. B. Campbell and 40 others of Clinton county, asking for a change in the drain law.

Referred to the committee on Drainage.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on Fisheries and Game:

The committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred

House bill No. 41, entitled

A bill to prohibit the shooting of wild fowl by persons on board of any floating device which employs as motive power, steam, gas, naphtha, oil or electricity;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

George B. Davis,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Fisheries and Game:

The committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred

House bill No. 10, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 111 of the session laws of 1869, and to repeal all acts inconsistent therewith;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Geo. B. Davis,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Fisheries and Game:

The committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred,

House bill No. 178, entitled

A bill to allow the spearing of fish;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House with amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Geo. B. Davis,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Davis,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State Affairs:

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred,
House bill No. 152, entitled

A bill to prevent publishers of newspapers and periodicals from collecting any money for any newspapers or periodicals sent through the mail for a longer period than that subscribed for or ordered, except as hereinafter expressly stipulated in this bill;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Edwin S. Williams,
Acting Chairman,

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State Affairs:

The committee on State Affairs to whom was referred,
House bill No. 159, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of Chap. 67 of the compiled laws of 1871, entitled "The destruction of wolves and other noxious animals," said chapter being chapter No. 70 of Howell's statutes, and to add a new section thereto to stand as Sec. 14 of said chapter;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House with amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Edwin S. Williams,
Acting Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Williams,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State Affairs:

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred
House bill No. 81, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 161 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to require county treasurers to furnish transcripts and abstracts of records and fixing the fees to be paid therefor;"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House with amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Edwin S. Williams,
Acting Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Williams,
The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Printing:

The committee on Printing, to whom was referred

House bill No. 139, entitled

A bill to provide for the printing and distribution of laws which have been given immediate effect;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Robert Alward,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Alward,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Allison	Mr. Eikhoff	Mr. Peek
Alward	Foote	Perry
Anderson	Fuller	Phillips, C. C.
Atkinson	Gibson	Phillips, M. F.
Babcock, C. G.	Gillam	Putney
Babcock, H.	Goodyear	Reed
Bates	Graham	Rulison
Belknap	Green	Savage
Billings	Hammond	Sawyer
Bricker	Harris	Scully
Bryan	Herrig	Shepard, F. M.
Buskirk	Hofmeister	Shisler
Cahoon	Jackson	Smith
Caldwell	January	Stoneman
Camburn	Kerr	Van Camp
Chamberlain	Kimmis	Washer
Clark	Lusk	Weier
Coad	Madill	Wetherbee
Colvin	Mayer	Whitney
Connors	Niedermeyer	Williams
Cousins	Oberdorffer	Wing
Davis	O'Dett	Zimmerman
Dickinson, J. H.	Otis	Speaker
Dickinson, L. D.		

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Graham,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

By the committee on Horticulture:

The committee on Horticulture, to whom was referred

House bill No. 181, entitled

A bill to prevent the introduction or spread of San Jose scale or other injurious insects or infectious diseases of trees, vines, shrubs or plants grown in this State or imported from other states, provinces or countries;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

Lauren F. Otis,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Otis,

The request was granted, and the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee.

By the committee on City Corporations:

The committee on City Corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 31, entitled

A bill to provide for public notice and opportunity for a public hearing before the mayor and common council of any city of the first, second, third and fourth class, concerning all special or general city laws relating to said city;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying substitute therefor, entitled

A bill to provide for public notice and opportunity for a public hearing before the mayor and common council of all cities, concerning all special or general city laws relating to such cities;

Recommending that the substitute be concurred in, and that the substitute do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

P. Herrig,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Herrig,

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on General Taxation:

The committee on General Taxation, to whom was referred

House bill No. 102, entitled

A bill to provide for the collection of delinquent taxes on personal property remaining unpaid after the first of March in each year, in the county of Wayne;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without

amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. W. Perry,
Acting Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Wetherbee,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill having been read a third time and the question being upon its passage, pending the taking of the vote thereon,

Mr. Edgar moved to amend the bill by inserting the words "and personal service where possible" after the words "is to be sold" in Sec. 1.

Which was withdrawn.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Elkhoff	Mr. Peek
Allison	Fuller	Perry
Alward	Gibson	Phillips, C. C.
Anderson	Gillam	Phillips, M. F.
Atkinson	Goodyear	Putney
Babcock, C. G.	Graham	Reed
Babcock, H.	Green	Savage
Belknap	Hammond	Sawyer
Billings	Harris	Scully
Bricker	Herrig	Shepard, F. M.
Bryan	Hofmeister	Shisler
Buskirk	Jackson	Smith
Caldwell	January	Stoneman
Camburn	Kerr	Tefft
Chamberlain	Kimmis	Van Camp
Clark	Lusk	Washer.
Coad	Madill	Weier
Colvin	Mayer	Wetherbee
Connors	McGill	Whitney
Cousins	Moore, M. G.	Williams
Davis	Niedermeler	Wing
Dickinson, J. H.	Oberdorffer	Zimmerman
Dickinson, L. D.	O'Dett	Speaker
Edgar	Otis	

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Wetherbee,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

By the committee on University,

The committee on University, to whom was referred,

House bill No. 83, entitled

A bill to provide for the analysis of water in use by the public in certain cases;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House with amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Geo. L. Lusk,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Lusk,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and place on the general order.

By the committee on University:

The committee on University, to whom was referred,
House bill No. 84, entitled

A bill to provide for the treatment of the children of indigent poor people that are afflicted with any curable malady or deformity at birth, and to provide for the expenses thereof;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with amendment thereto, recommending that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Geo. L. Lusk,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Lusk,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 2, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 89, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 1 and 2 of act No. 326 of the local acts of 1895, entitled "An act to authorize the township of Whitney, in Arenac county, Michigan, to borrow money upon its bonds for the improvement of certain highways in that township," approved March 13, 1895;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 2, 1897. •

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 27, entitled

A bill to provide permanent headquarters in the Capitol building for the Grand Army of the Republic, to designate the purposes for which the same shall be used, and to provide for an annual report by the commander;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has been ordered to take immediate effect, and in all of which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Foote,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill having been read a third time and the question being upon its passage, pending the taking of the vote thereon,

Mr. Edgar moved that the bill be referred to the committee on Judiciary,

Which motion did not prevail.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams
Allison
Alward
Anderson
Atkinson
Babcock, C. G.
Babcock, H.
Bates

Mr. Edgar
Elkhoff
Foote
Fuller
Gibson
Gillam
Goodyear
Graham

Mr. Niedermeier
Oberdorffer
O'Dett
Phillips, C. C.
Phillips, M. F.
Putney
Reed
Rulison

Mr. Belknap	Mr. Green	Mr. Savage
Billings	Hammond	Scully
Bricker	Harris	Shepard, F. M.
Bryan	Herrig	Shisler
Buskirk	Hofmeister	Smith
Caldwell	Jackson	Stoneman
Camburn	January	Van Camp
Chamberlain	Kerr	Washer
Clark	Kimmis	Weier
Coad	Lusk	Wetherbee
Colvin	Madill	Whitney
• Connors	Marsilje	Williams
Cousins	Mayer	Wing
Davis	McGill	Zimmerman
Dickinson, J. H.	Moore, M. G.	Speaker
Dickinson, L. D.		

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Mr. Otis

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Foote,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 2, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following concurrent resolution:

WHEREAS, The re-compilation of the laws prepared by the compiler elected by the legislature of 1895, and duly certified to the Governor by the commissioners appointed to examine the same has been referred to the legislature by the Governor; and

WHEREAS, Such compilation consists of a large amount of manuscript liable to become scattered and lost unless properly cared for; therefore

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That such compilation remain in the custody of the compiler, subject to the use of the two houses;

In the adoption of which the Senate has concurred.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The message was ordered spread on the Journal.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 2, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 78, entitled

A bill to make townships in Huron county primarily liable for the payment of all claims incurred in the care of persons sick with contagious diseases, or diseases dangerous to the public health, or incurred in preventing the spread of such diseases, where said county is now primarily liable for such payment;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 2, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 111, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 256 of the local acts of 1893, approved March 6, 1893, entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Grant, in Newaygo county," for the purpose of correcting clerical error in said Sec. 1, and to accurately describe the boundaries of said village of Grant;

And to inform the House that the Senate has amended the same as follows:

By striking out of line 2 of Sec. 1 the word "six" after the word "eighty;"

In the passage of which, as thus amended, the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The question being on concurring in the amendment made by the Senate to the bill,

On motion of Mr. Adams,

The House concurred, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Elkhoff	Mr. O'Dett
Allison	Foote	Otis
Alward	Fuller	Perry
Anderson	Gibson	Phillips, C. C.
Atkinson	Gillam	Phillips, M. F.
Babcock, C. G.	Goodyear	Putney

Mr. Babcock, H.
 Bates
 Belknap
 Billings
 Bricker
 Bryan
 Buskirk
 Caldwell
 Camburn
 Chamberlain
 Coad
 Colvin
 Connors
 Cousins
 Davis
 Dickinson, J. H.
 Dickinson, L. D.

Mr. Graham
 Green
 Hammond
 Harris
 Hofmeister
 Jackson
 January
 Kerr
 Kimmis
 Lusk
 Madill
 Mayer
 McGill
 Moore, M. G.
 Niedermeier
 Oberdorffer

Mr. Reed
 Rulison
 Savage
 Scully
 Shepard, F. M.
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The bill was then referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
 Lansing, February 3, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following concurrent resolution:

WHEREAS, The publication of two editions of the Legislative Manual incurs an unnecessary expense; therefore be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That the Secretary of State be and is hereby instructed to delay the publication of the Legislative Manual for the year 1897 until after the coming spring election;

Now to inform the House that the Senate has adopted a substitute for the resolution, as follows:

WHEREAS, The publication of two editions of the Legislative Manual incurs an unnecessary expense; therefore be it

Resolved by the House (the Senate concurring), That the Secretary of the State be and is hereby instructed to stop all further printing on the Legislative Manual until further notice;

Which has been adopted by the Senate, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
 Secretary of the Senate.

The question being on concurring in the adoption of the substitute, The substitute was adopted.

The resolution as amended by the substitute was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 3, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 189, entitled

A bill to authorize the township of Hill in the county of Ogemaw and State of Michigan to borrow money to be used in the payment of outstanding orders of said township, and to issue bonds therefor;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 3, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 188, entitled

A bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Alcona county, State of Michigan, to issue ten thousand dollars of bonds for the purpose of paying matured orders and existing indebtedness;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 3, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to retransmit to the House the following bill, in accordance with the request of the House therefor:

Senate bill No. 42, entitled

A bill for the protection of fish in the lake known as Pentwater lake, situated in the township of Pentwater, county of Oceana, State of Michigan.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Perry,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

NOTICES.

Mr. Fuller gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Secs. 2 and 25 of act No. 206 of the public acts of 1893, approved June 2, 1893, relative to the assessment of mineral rights.

Mr. C. G. Babcock gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of Sherwood, in Branch county.

Mr. Lusk gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to require the use of coal and other natural Michigan products when practicable in every State institution.

Mr. Sawyer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for bringing actions of assumpsit in certain cases and to provide that in such cases the cause of action shall survive.

Mr. Sawyer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 101 of Chap. 102 of the revised statutes of 1846 as amended by subsequent acts, the same being Sec. 7545 of Howell's annotated statutes as amended, relative to the competency of witnesses, and examination of parties in certain cases.

Mr. Rulison gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill providing for the support and maintenance of the Michigan Mining School at Houghton, Mich., for the years 1897 and 1898, and for the refitting and the further equipment of the said school including an assaying building and the equipment thereof, and making an appropriation therefor.

Mr. Gibson gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to equalize bounties of Michigan soldiers, sailors and marines, and to appropriate money for the payment thereof.

Mr. J. H. Dickinson gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Detroit.

Mr. Stoneman gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill relative to notaries public, imposing certain duties and providing a penalty for a violation thereof.

Mr. Stoneman gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Secs. 1 and 4 of Chap. 55 of compiled laws of 1871, as amended by acts amendatory thereof, being Secs. 1 and 4 of Chap. 54 of Howell's annotated statutes.

Mr. Stoneman gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill providing for the payment of a license on railway sleeping cars, regulating the fare charged, and regulating the method of operating the upper berths of said cars.

Mr. Scully gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill fixing the liability of persons and corporations in cases of injury resulting from the negligence of such persons or corporations, their officers, agents or servants, where the party injured was partly at fault.

Mr. Oberdorffer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the location, establishment and maintenance of a State Agricultural and Horticultural Experiment Station in the Upper Peninsula, and to make an appropriation therefor.

Mr. Atkinson gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 9 of Art. 2 of act No. 198 of the public acts of 1873, being an act entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of railroad companies, and to regulate the running and management, and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroad and other corporations owning or operating any railroad in this State," being compiler's Sec. 3323 of Howell's annotated statutes, as amended by act 177 of the public acts of 1877, and act 116 of the public acts of 1883, and act 230 of the public acts of 1887, and act 202 of the public acts of 1889, and act No. 90 of the public acts of 1891, approved May 21, 1891.

Mr. Atkinson gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 10, Chap. 318, of Howell's annotated statutes, being compiler's Sec. 9132, relative to offenses against property.

Mr. Atkinson gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 13 of an act to establish a police government for the city of Detroit, approved April 17, 1871, and the acts amendatory thereof.

Mr. Atkinson gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 21, Chap. 318, of Howell's annotated statutes, being compiler's Sec. 9142, relative to offenses against property.

Mr. Atkinson gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 6 of act No. 161 of the public acts of 1885, being Sec. 6591f3 of Howell's annotated statutes, entitled "An act to establish the police court of the city of Detroit."

Mr. Atkinson gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Secs. 2, 3 and 4 of act No. 95 of the session laws of 1887, being Secs. 7629b, 7629c and 7629d of Howell's annotated statutes, entitled "An act in relation to jurors in courts of record in the county of Wayne, and to revise the laws relative thereto."

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Foote, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 191, entitled

A bill to provide for the continuance of the recompilation and copying of the records in the office of the Adjutant General pertaining to the enlistment, muster, history and final disposition of the soldiers and sailors from this State during the war of the rebellion, and for the publication of a "Roster of Michigan Soldiers from 1861 to 1866 inclusive," and to make appropriation therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Foote, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 192, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 35 of Chap. 215, relative to certain liens upon personal property, being Sec. 6823 of the compiled laws of 1871, as amended by act No. 83 of the public acts of 1873, being Sec. 8399 of Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Otis, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 193, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 105 of Chap. 10, being compiler's Sec. 595 of the compiled laws of 1871, relating to the duties and compensation of county surveyors, approved April 3, 1869, being compiler's Sec. 624 of Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Bates, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 194, entitled

A bill to regulate the manufacture and sale of baking powder and chemical substance used for the purpose of making vesiculated or spongiform bread, also the regulation of the business thereof, and for the punishment for violation of the provisions of this act, and to repeal all existing acts inconsistent therewith.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Public Health.

Mr. McGill, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 195, entitled

A bill for the ascertainment and protection of the interests of the State in escheated estates.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Madill, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 196, entitled

A bill to form and incorporate school district No. 6, in Colfax township, Huron county, Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Alward, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 197, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 29 and 30 of act No. 206 of the public acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal act No. 200 of the public acts of 1891, and all other acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Kimmis, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 198, entitled

A bill providing for the payment of salaries to county officers and providing for the disposition of the fees received by such officers.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. M. G. Moore, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 199, entitled

A bill to provide the manner in which servant girls may quit or be discharged.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Labor.

Mr. Anderson, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House joint resolution No. 12, entitled

Joint resolution for the relief of Louis Schmidt, a private in Co. H., Second Regiment, Michigan State Troops, who was injured while in the line of duty, by the premature discharge of a gun, at Grand Haven, on July 4, 1884.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Lusk,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order, whereupon,

The Speaker called Mr. Harris to the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following:

1. House bill No. 36 (file No. 15), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 45 of Chap. 158 of the compiled laws of 1871, as amended by act No. 92, public acts of 1885, the same being Sec. 5932 of the third volume of Howell's annotated statutes, relative to the payment of debts and legacies of deceased persons.

2. House bill No. 73 (file No. 11), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 264 of the session laws of 1889, entitled "An act relative to disorderly persons and to repeal Chap. 53 of the compiled laws of 1871, as amended by the several acts amendatory thereof."

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend their passage.

The committee of the whole have also had under consideration the following:

3. A bill to amend Sec. 2 of act No. 135 of the public acts of 1885, entitled "An act to amend, revise and consolidate the laws organizing asylums for the insane, and regulating the care and management thereof, and of the inmates therein, and to repeal act No. 164, laws of 1859; also act No. 194, laws of 1877; also act No. 91, laws of 1873, and the acts amendatory thereto; also act No. 172, laws of 1873," approved June 3, 1885, the same being Sec. 1930a1, Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan.

Have made sundry amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend its passage.

William Harris,

Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

≡ The first and second named bills were placed on the order of third reading.

On motion of Mr. Kimmis,

The House concurred in the amendments made by the committee to the third named bill, and it was placed on the order of third reading.

Mr. Atkinson moved that the rules be suspended and the first named bill be put on its immediate passage.

Which motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor.

House bill No. 36 (file No. 15), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 45 of Chap. 158 of the compiled laws of 1871, as amended by act No. 92, public acts of 1885, the same being Sec. 5932 of the third volume of Howell's annotated statutes, relative to the payment of debts and legacies of deceased persons.

Was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Gibson	Mr. Phillips, C. C.
Allison	Gillam	Phillips, M. F.
Alward	Goodyear	Putney
Anderson	Graham	Reed
Atkinson	Green	Rullison
Babcock, C. G.	Hammond	Savage
Babcock, H.	Harris	Sawyer
Belknap	Hofmeister	Scully
Bricker	Jackson	Shepard, F. M.
Bryan	January	Shisler
Buskirk	Kerr	Smith
Caldwell	Kimmis	Stoneman
Camburn	Lusk	Tefft
Chamberlain	Madill	Van Camp
Coad	Mayer	Washer.
Colvin	McGill	Weier
Connors	Moore, M. G.	Wetherbee
Cousins	Niedermeyer	Whitney
Davis	Oberdorffer	Williams
Dickinson, J. H.	O'Dett	Wing
Dickinson, L. D.	Otis	Zimmerman
Elkhoff	Perry	Speaker
Fuller		

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Wetherbee,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Kimmis moved that the rules be suspended and that the third named bill be put on its immediate passage.

Which motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor.

House bill No. 72 (file No. 10), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of act No. 135 of the public acts of 1885, entitled "An act to amend, revise and consolidate the laws organizing asylums for the insane, and regulating the care and management thereof, and of the inmates therein, and to repeal act 164, laws of 1859; also act 194, laws of 1877; also act 91, laws of 1873, and the acts amendatory thereto; also act 172, laws of 1873," approved June 3, 1885, the same being Sec. 1930a1, Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan;

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Fuller	Mr. O'Dett
Allison	Gibson	Otis
Alward	Gillam	Perry

Mr. Anderson	Mr. Goodyear	Mr. Phillips, C. C.
Atkinson	Graham	Phillips, M. F.
Babcock, C. G.	Green	Putney
Babcock, H.	Hammond	Reed
Belknap	Harris	Rullson
Bricker	Herrig	Savage
Bryan	Hofmeister	Sawyer
Buskirk	Jackson	Scully
Caldwell	January	Shepard, F. M.
Camburn	Kerr	Shisler
Chamberlain	Kimms	Tefft
Coad	Lusk	Van Camp
Colvin	Madill	Washer.
Connors	Mayer	Whitney
Cousins	McGill	Williams
Davis	Moore, M. G.	Wing
Dickinson, J. H.	Niedermeier	Zimmerman
Dickinson, L. D.	Oberdorffer	Speaker
Eikhoff		

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Title agreed to.

Mr. Graham moved that the rules be suspended and that the second named bill be placed on its immediate passage.

Which motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor.

House bill No. 73 (File No. 11), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. No. 1 of act No. 264 of the session laws of 1889, entitled "An act relative to disorderly persons and to repeal Chap. 53 of the compiled laws of 1871, as amended by the several acts amendatory thereof;"

Was read a third time, and pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

On motion of Mr. Atkinson.

The bill was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Gillam.

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Thursday, February 4, 1897.

The House met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Miller.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. Marsilje, Miller, E. W. Moore.

On motion of Mr. Lusk,

Leave of absence was granted to all absentees for the day.

On motion of Mr. Allison,
Leave of absence was granted to himself for tomorrow.
On motion of Mr. Savage,
Leave of absence was granted to committee on Michigan Asylum until Monday next.
On motion of Mr. Hofmeister,
Leave of absence was granted to himself until Monday next.
On motion of Mr. Goodyear,
Leave of absence was granted to himself for tomorrow.
Mr. L. D. Dickinson, by unanimous consent, offered the following:
Resolved, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn till 10 o'clock a. m. tomorrow;
Which was adopted.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 71. By Mr. Anderson: Petition for the relief of Louis Schmidt of Co. H, 2nd Reg't, Michigan State Troops.

Referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

No. 72. By Mr. Alward: Resolutions of the board of supervisors of Ottawa county relative to the collection of farm statistics.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 73. By Mr. Alward: Resolutions of the board of supervisors of Ottawa county, relative to the Mining School.

On demand of Mr. Alward,

The resolutions were read at length and spread at large on the Journal, as follows:

At an adjourned session of the board of supervisors of Ottawa county, continued and held at the court house in the city of Grand Haven in said county, Thursday, January 7, 1897, the following preamble and resolution was unanimously adopted:

To the Honorable the Board of Supervisors of Ottawa County:

WHEREAS, It appears from books issued by the Michigan Mining School, located at Houghton, Michigan, that during the school term for 1895 and 1896, there were in said Mining School ninety-four students, of which number fifty-eight were from the State of Michigan, and thirty-six from other states and nearly every quarter of the globe; and

WHEREAS, It further appears from the books of said Mining School, under the act of organization, the board of control have made the school entirely free, no charge being made for tuition or incidentals, whether the student is a resident of this State, or of the United States, or any other country, all are cordially invited to make the fullest use of this institution; and

WHEREAS, The free tuition and free incidentals furnished by an act of the board of control of said Mining School to those from without this State, and from other countries, is an imposition on the taxpayers of the State of Michigan, and should at once be abolished; therefore

Resolved, by this board of supervisors now in session, That we demand through our senator and representatives, such action as may be necessary to at once repeal so much of the act of organization, or powers of the board of control, as relates to the free tuition and incidentals for those

from without the State, and that students from without the State shall pay for tuition and incidentals, according to the branch of studies taught such student and the incidentals used by him, and that a copy of these resolutions be furnished our Senator and Representatives.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, }
County of Ottawa, } ss.

I, Charles K. Hoyt, clerk of said county and of the board of supervisors thereof, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and compared copy of a resolution passed by the board of supervisors of said county, and the whole thereof. That I have compared the same with the original of record, and it is a true transcript from said original, and the whole thereof.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said county, at the city of Grand Haven, this 2d day of February, 1897.

Charles K. Hoyt,

Clerk.

Referred to the committee on School of Mines.

No. 74. By Mr. Allison: Petition of Fayette Grant and 75 other citizens of Livingston county, asking for the repeal of the law relative to the collecting and publishing farm statistics.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 75. By Mr. Donovan: Memorial of the Bay City equal suffrage association in favor of the bill placing women on the boards of asylums for the insane.

Referred to committee on State Affairs.

No. 76. By Mr. Connors: Memorial of the board of supervisors of Chippewa county relative to the preservation of food fishes and game.

Mr. Connors moved that the memorial be spread at large on the Journal;

Which motion did not prevail.

The memorial was then referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on Judiciary:

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred
House joint resolution No. 6, entitled

A joint resolution to authorize and instruct the Board of State Auditors to examine into, and if they deem it justifiable, to allow the claim of Alphonzo Button for injuries sustained by him from a premature discharge of a cannon while engaged in the regular performance of his duty as a member of the gun squad of the Curtenius Guard (an organized volunteer uniformed militia company, organized under the laws of the State of Michigan), at Mason, Michigan, on the 3d day of July, 1858;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without

recommendation, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. J. Sawyer,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was laid on the table.

By the committee on Judiciary:

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred
House joint resolution No. 7, entitled

A joint resolution directing the Board of State Auditors to settle claim made by George W. Crump against the State of Michigan, for compensation for injuries received by him while superintending the removal of camp supplies and equipage from the military camp at Island Lake to the railroad station, on the 9th day of August, 1887;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House with amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the joint resolution when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. J. Sawyer,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Sawyer,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the joint resolution by the committee.

The joint resolution was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Judiciary:

The committee on Judiciary to whom was referred
House bill No. 122, entitled

A bill making it unlawful for prosecuting attorneys to defend or assist in the defense of any person charged with crime within their respective counties;

Respectively report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House with amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. J. Sawyer,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Sawyer,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Judiciary:

The committee on Judiciary to whom was referred
House bill No. 109, entitled

A bill to provide for service upon corporations of process issued from circuit courts in chancery;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. J. Sawyer,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Judiciary:

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 137, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 3 of act No. 156 of the session laws of 1851, entitled "An act to define the powers and duties of the boards of supervisors of the several counties, and to confer upon them certain local administrative and legislative powers," the same being Sec. 475 of Howell's annotated statutes;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. J. Sawyer,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Judiciary:

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 177, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 9 of Chap. 84 of the revised statutes of 1846, entitled "Of divorce," and being Sec. 6231 of Howell's annotated statutes, of Michigan, as amended by act No. 202 of the session laws of 1895, relative to divorce;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. J. Sawyer,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Military Affairs:

The committee on Military Affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 191, entitled

A bill to provide for the continuance of the recompilation and copying of the records in the office of the Adjutant General pertaining to the enlistment, muster, history and final disposition of the soldiers and sailors from this State during the war of the rebellion, and for the publication of a "Roster of Michigan soldiers from 1861 to 1866 inclusive," and to make appropriations therefor;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Edwin S. Williams,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Williams,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Allison	Mr. Gibson	Mr. Peters
Alward	Gillam	Petrowsky
Anderson	Goodyear	Phillips, C. C.
Atkinson	Graham	Phillips, M. F.
Babcock, C. G.	Green	Powers
Babcock, H.	Gustin	Putney
Bemis	Hammond	Reed
Billings	Harris	Rullison
Buskirk	Herrig	Savage
Caldwell	Jackson	Sawyer
Camburn	January	Scully
Campbell	Kelly	Shepherd, F.
Chamberlain	Kerr	Shisler
Coad	Kimmis	Smith
Colvin	Lusk	Stoneman
Connors	Madill	Tefft
Cousins	Mayer	Van Camp
Davis	Molster	Washer
Dickinson, J. H.	Moore, M. G.	Weier
Dickinson, L. D.	Niedermeyer	Wetherbee
Donovan	Oberdorffer	Whitney
Dudley	O'Dett	Williams
Eikhoff	Otis	Wing
Fleischhauer	Pearson	Zimmerman
Foote	Perry	Speaker
Fuller		

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NAYS.

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Williams,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

By the committee on State Affairs:

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 23, entitled

A bill making an appropriation for relief of the sufferers by the great fire of August, 1896, in Ontonagon village, and to pay the bonded indebted-

edness of the village, school district and township of Ontonagon, of this State;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. S. Williams,
Acting Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on State Affairs:

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 143, entitled

A bill to prohibit obstruction of the view of persons in theaters, halls, or opera houses, where theatrical performances are given, and to provide a penalty therefor;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. S. Williams,
Acting Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State Affairs:

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 104, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 8 of act No. 192 of the public acts of 1887, entitled "An act to amend act No. 260 of the public acts of 1881," approved June 10, 1881, being Chap. 52 of Howell's annotated statutes, relative to the protection of children in certain cases, by adding thereto four new sections to stand as Sec 7, 8, 9 and 10 of said act, approved June 18, 1887, as amended by the several acts amendatory thereof;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. S. Williams,
Acting Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Williams,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committees on State Affairs and Federal Relations jointly:

The committees on State Affairs and Federal Relations jointly, to whom was referred,

House bill No. 148, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of an act entitled "An act to authorize the board of control to transfer the St. Mary's Falls Ship Canal, with the property belonging to the same to the United States," the same act being No. 17 of the session laws of 1881, approved March 3, 1881, so that said section as amended shall authorize and direct said board of control to transfer all moneys remaining in the canal fund to the United States in the consideration of the construction, by the United States, of a marine hospital for the use and benefit of sick or disabled seamen; said section so amended being compiler's section No. 5504 of Howell's annotated statutes;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Edwin S. Williams,
Acting Chairman Committee on State Affairs.

Edwin S. Williams,
Acting Chairman Committee on Federal Relations.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State Affairs:

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 66, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 10 of act No. 196 of the public acts of 1887, entitled "An act to regulate the practice of pharmacy in the State of Michigan;"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Edwin S. Williams,
Acting Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State Affairs:

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 76, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 23 and 24 of act No. 135 of the public acts of 1885, entitled "An act to amend, revise and consolidate the laws organizing asylums for the insane and regulating the care and management thereof, and of the inmates therein, and to repeal act 164, laws of 1859; also act 194, laws of 1877; also act 91, laws of 1873, and the acts amendatory thereto; also act 172, laws of 1873," approved June 3, 1885;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Edwin S. Williams,
Acting Chairman.

Report accepted, and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor,

House bill No. 111, entitled

An act to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 256 of local acts of 1893, approved March 6, 1893, entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Grant in Newaygo county" for the purpose of correcting clerical errors in said Sec. 1, and accurately describe the boundaries of said village of Grant.

For which your committee hold the receipt of the Executive office dated February 4, 1897, at 10:45 o'clock a. m.

Geo. E. Gillam,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor,

House bill No. 89, entitled

An act to amend Secs. 1 and 2 of act No. 326 of the local acts of 1895, entitled "An act to authorize the township of Whitney in Arenac county, Michigan, to borrow money upon its bonds for the improvement of certain highways in that township," approved March 13, 1895;

For which your committee hold the receipt of the Executive office dated February 4, 1897, at 10:45 o'clock a. m.

Geo. E. Gillam,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor

House bill No. 78, entitled

An act to make townships in Huron county primarily liable for the payment of all claims incurred in the case of persons sick with contagious diseases, or diseases dangerous to the public health, or incurred in preventing the spread of such diseases, where said county is now primarily liable for such payment.

For which your committee hold the receipt of the Executive office dated February 4, 1897, at 10:45 o'clock a. m.

George E. Gillam,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

By the committee on School of Mines:

The committee on School of Mines, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 1, entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the current and running expenses of the Michigan Mining School until the general appropriation for that purpose shall be available;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without

amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Austin N. Kimmis, Jr.,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

By the committee on School of Mines:

The committee on School of Mines, to whom was referred

House bill No. 180, entitled

A bill to change the name of "Michigan Mining School" to "The Michigan College of Mines;"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the Senate, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Austin N. Kimmis, Jr.
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Labor:

The committee on Labor, to whom was referred

House bill No. 161, entitled

A bill to provide for the employment of convicts in the penal institutions of this State;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

Henry Eikhoff,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Eikhoff,

The request was granted, and the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee.

By the committee on State Library:

The committee on State Library, to whom was referred,

House bill No. 25, entitled

A bill to provide for the purchase of books and equipments for the Michigan State Library and the Michigan traveling libraries;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

William H. Wetherbee,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 3, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to re-transmit to the House the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved by the Senate (the House concurring), That the State Printer be instructed to forward one copy of the daily Journal to each daily and weekly newspaper published within the State, and to each State officer, or member of State commission, supreme, circuit and probate judge, county clerk, county treasurer, register of deeds, prosecuting attorney, circuit court commissioner, and to each public library, board of trade, superior and recorder's court in the State, and to each county school commissioner and superintendent of each union school in the State, and that the amount of postage on such copies of said Journal be paid by the State Treasurer on the warrant of the Auditor General, on the presentation of bills duly certified by the postmaster at Lansing, and by the State printer, showing that such stamps have been purchased and used only for the payment of postage on said copies of said Journal hereby ordered to be distributed;

For which the House adopted the following substitute:

"Resolved by the Senate (the House concurring), That the contractor to be employed by the Judiciary committees of the House and Senate be instructed to forward one copy of the daily Journal to each daily newspaper published within this State, and to each county clerk, public library and labor library, and upon request, in writing, to the Secretary of State, by any of the following, viz.: To each weekly newspaper published within this State, each State officer or member of State commission, supreme, circuit and probate judge, county treasurer, register of deeds, prosecuting attorney, circuit court commissioner, board of trade, supervisor, recorder, and recorder's court in this State, township clerk, and township treasurer, each superintendent of any high school or union school in this State, and to not exceeding fifteen hundred representative citizens of this State: Provided, That the Secretary of State may consult the respective Senators and Representatives of the legislature as to the standing and character of not to exceed ten names to each Senator and Representative, and that the amount of postage on such copies of said Journal be paid by the State Treasurer on the warrant of the Auditor General on the presentation of bills duly certified by the postmaster at Lansing and by the Secretary of State, showing that such stamps had been purchased and used only for the payment of postage on said copies of said Journal hereby ordered to be distributed;"

And to inform the House that the Senate has amended the substitute so as to read as follows:

Resolved by the Senate (the House concurring), That the contractor to be employed by the Judiciary committees of the House and Senate be instructed to forward one copy of the daily Journal to each daily newspaper published within this State, and to each county clerk, public

library and labor library, and upon request, in writing to the Secretary of State, by any of the following, viz.: to each weekly newspaper published within this State, each State officer or member of State commission, supreme, circuit and probate judge, prosecuting attorney, recorder and recorder's court in the State, each county commissioner of schools, and each superintendent of any high school or union school in this State, and that the amount of postage on such copies of said Journal be paid by the State Treasurer on the warrant of the Auditor General, on the presentation of bills duly certified by the postmaster at Lansing and by the Secretary of State, showing that such stamps had been purchased and used only for the payment of postage on said copies of said Journal hereby ordered to be distributed;

In the adoption of which substitute, as thus amended, the Senate has concurred.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The question being on concurring in the adoption of the substitute resolution reported from the Senate,

The House non-concurred.

Mr. Sawyer moved that a committee of conference be asked to consider the difference existing between the two houses in regard to the resolution, and that Messrs. Chamberlain, Foote and Wetherbee be named as such committee on the part of the House.

Mr. Wetherbee moved to amend the motion by substituting the name of Mr. Sawyer for that of Mr. Wetherbee.

Which motion prevailed.

The motion for a committee of conference, as amended, then prevailed.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 3, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved (the House concurring), That the Board of State Auditors are hereby requested to forthwith replace the apparatus now in the water closets attached to the House and Senate Chambers with new and modern apparatus, to provide a proper and thorough system of ventilation for said closets, and to pay the expense thereof out of the moneys in the general fund not otherwise appropriated;

Which has been adopted by the Senate, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The question being on concurring in the adoption of the resolution,
The resolution was adopted.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 3, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 102, entitled

A bill to provide for the collection of delinquent taxes, on personal property, remaining unpaid after the first of March in each year, in the county of Wayne;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was then referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

NOTICES.

Mr. C. G. Babcock gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Secs. 3 and 4 of acts 158 and 159 of session laws of 1877, relative to holding teachers' institutes.

Mr. M. G. Moore gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to prohibit the use of second-hand packages for articles of food.

Mr. Gustin gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend garnishee law.

Mr. Jos. H. Dickinson gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill for the suppression of mob violence.

Mr. Peters gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 114 of an act entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon."

Mr. Whitney gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the extension, construction and maintenance of roads through the city of North Muskegon, same being country roads established by board of county road commissioners.

Mr. Jackson gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide county and city depositories, and regulate the deposit of public moneys therein.

Mr. Wetherbee gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the use of any thoroughly tested and reliable voting machine at any election held in this State.

Mr. Lusk gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to protect the professional title of qualified practitioners of veterinary medicine in the State of Michigan.

Mr. Rulison gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend act No. 70 of the public acts of 1885, entitled "An act to establish and regulate a Mining School in the upper peninsula."

Mr. Peters gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Ishpeming.

Mr. Atkinson gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of coöperative and mutual benefit associations, and to define the powers and duties, and regulate the transaction of the business of all such corporations doing business within the State, approved June 17, 1887, and acts amendatory thereof, by adding thereto a new section to stand as Sec. 32.

Mr. F. Shepherd gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to organize the township of Waverly in Cheboygan county into a single school district.

Mr. Kimmis gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 190, public acts of 1891, as amended by act No. 202 of public acts of 1893, relative to elections.

Mr. Kimmis gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend act No. 56 of public acts of 1895, relative to flags on school houses.

Mr. Foote gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill for the cleaning out of the Kalamazoo river at Kalamazoo as a sanitary measure.

Mr. Kelly gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Secs. 1 and 10 of act No. 70 of the laws of 1881, entitled "An act to authorize the formation of electric light companies," the same being compiler's Secs. 4182 and 4191 of Howell's annotated statutes, so as to enlarge the powers of electric light companies and allow them to furnish electrical light, gas, electricity and electrical power for lighting, heating and power purposes.

Mr. Wetherbee gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the appointment of guardians of the persons of habitual drunkards, and of persons so addicted to the excessive use of intoxicating liquors or narcotic drugs as to need medical or sanitary treatment or care, and for restraining them in a suitable asylum or

hospital, and to repeal act No. 241, public acts of 1879, entitled "An act concerning the appointment of guardians of habitual drunkards, or of persons so addicted to the excessive use of intoxicating liquors as to need medical or sanitary treatment or care."

Mr. Chamberlain gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 9 of the session laws of 1885, approved June 2, 1885, relative to the practice of pharmacy in the State of Michigan, being compiler's Sec. 2287 of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan.

Mr. Lusk gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 3251 of Howell's annotated statutes, respecting trust, deposit and security companies, and to amend or repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith.

Mr. Lusk gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to prescribe the manner of marking and to prevent fraud and deception in the manufacture and sale of dynamite, or explosive cartridges in this State.

Mr. Lusk gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 7365 of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan relative to pleadings and set-offs.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Peek, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 200, entitled

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Jackson.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Sawyer, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 201, entitled

A bill to provide for bringing actions of assumpsit in certain cases, and to provide that in such cases the cause of action shall survive.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Sawyer, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 202, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 101 of Chap. 102 of the revised statutes of 1846, as amended by subsequent acts, the same being Sec. 7545 of Howell's annotated statutes, as amended, relative to the competency of witnesses and examinations of parties in certain cases.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. J. H. Dickinson, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 203, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to amend the laws relative to supplying the city of Detroit with pure and wholesome water," approved February 14, 1853.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Gustin, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 204, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 3, 9, 19, 31, 33, 48 and 95 of act No. 249 of the local acts of 1871, entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Alpena," approved March 29, 1871, as amended.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Gustin,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Gustin, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 205, entitled

A bill to revise and amend act No. 249 of the local acts of 1871, entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Alpena," approved March 29, 1871, and acts amendatory thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Gustin,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Bemis, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 206, entitled

A bill to provide that persons acquitted of certain crimes upon the ground of insanity shall be committed to an asylum for the insane.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Wetherbee, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 207, entitled

A bill to authorize and empower judges of probate, in certain cases, to license executors, administrators and guardians to borrow money by mortgaging or otherwise pledging the estates of deceased persons and persons under guardianship, and to repeal act 165, laws of Michigan of 1861, entitled "An act to authorize and empower judges of probate to license executors, administrators and guardians to mortgage or otherwise pledge estate for settlement of debts against the same," and acts amendatory thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Green, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 208, entitled

A bill regulating the care of poor persons within St. Clair county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Green, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 209, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 183 of the public acts of 1873, entitled "An act to amend Sec. 1 of an act entitled 'An act to confirm the record of letters of attorney in certain cases,' approved April 17, 1871, being Sec. 4256 of the compiled laws of 1871, and add a new section thereto to stand as Sec. 2, relative to certified transcript copies of deeds, instruments, and letters of attorney, conveying title to real estate."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Green, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 210, entitled

A bill to fix and determine the age limit of persons eligible for life insurance, and life benefits, and to provide a penalty for the violation of any of the provisions of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Insurance.

Mr. Green, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 211, entitled

A bill to authorize and provide for the incorporation of local building and loan associations and for defining their powers and duties.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Graham, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 212, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of act No. 3, session laws of 1873, entitled "An act to provide for the payment of the officers and members of the legislature."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Graham,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Stoneman, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 213, entitled

A bill relative to notaries public, imposing certain duties and providing a penalty for violation thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Stoneman, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 214, entitled

A bill providing for the payment of a license on railway sleeping cars, regulating fare charged, and regulating the method of operating the berths of said sleeping car.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Peters, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 215, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 of an act entitled "An act to regulate the admission to practice of attorneys, to provide for a board of examiners, and to repeal conflicting acts," being act No. 205 of the public acts of 1895.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Molster, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 216, entitled

A bill to provide for the labeling and marking of goods, wares and merchandise manufactured by convicts.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Labor.

Mr. Kerr, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 217, entitled

A bill to provide for the appropriation of three thousand acres of State swamp land, for the purpose of widening and deepening the channel of Birch Run creek, where necessary in the county of Saginaw.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Drainage.

Mr. Scully, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 218, entitled

A bill fixing the liability of persons and corporations in cases of injury resulting from the negligence of such persons or corporations, their officers, agents or servants, where the party injured was partly at fault.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Atkinson, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 219, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 2, 3 and 4 of act No. 95 of the session laws of 1887, being Secs. 7629b, 7629c and 7629d of Howell's annotated statutes, entitled "An act in relation to jurors in courts of record in the county of Wayne, and to revise the laws relative thereto," approved May 6, 1887.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Atkinson, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 220, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 13 of the act entitled "An act to establish a police government for the city of Detroit," approved April 17, 1871, and the acts amendatory thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Atkinson, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 221, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 9 of Art. 2 of act No. 198 of the public acts of 1873, being an act, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of railroad companies, and to regulate the running and management, and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroad and other corporations owning or operating any railroad in this State," being compiler's Sec. 3323 of Howell's annotated statutes, as amended by act 177 of the public acts of 1871, and act No. 116 of the public acts of 1883, and act No. 230 of the public acts of 1887, and act No. 202 of the public acts of 1889, and act No. 90 of the public acts of 1891, approved May 21, 1891.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on Railroads.

Mr. Atkinson, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 222, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 10 of Chap. 318 of Howell's annotated statutes, being compiler's Sec. 9132, relative to offenses against property.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Atkinson, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 223, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 20 of Chap. 318 of Howell's annotated statutes, being compiler's Sec. 9242, relative to offenses against property.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Atkinson, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 224, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 6 of act No. 161 of the public acts of 1885, entitled "An act to establish the police courts of the city of Detroit," approved June 9, 1885, being Sec. 6591f3 of Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Rulison, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 225, entitled

A bill providing for the support and maintenance of the Michigan Mining School at Houghton, Michigan, for the years of 1897 and 1898, and for refitting and the further equipment of the said school, including an assaying building and the equipment thereof, and making an appropriation therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on School of Mines.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Billings offered the following:

WHEREAS, The demand is so great throughout the State for copies of the game and fish laws now being enforced by the State Game and Fish Warden and his deputies; therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That the Secretary of State be and is hereby requested, authorized and empowered to compile, index and publish at the close of the present session twelve thousand copies of the laws of this State pertaining to the protection of game and fish then in force, and that may be enacted by this legislature, together with such annotations as he deems necessary to the proper understanding of the same. Said compilation of the game and fish laws shall be published in pamphlet form, with the exception of one hundred and fifty copies, which shall be bound in calf, and interleaved with blank leaves for additional notes; they shall contain the name and address of the State Game and Fish Warden, together with a card requesting that all persons having or receiving knowledge of any violation of the game and fish laws report the same to the State Game and Fish Warden, and such laws may be distributed by the State Game and Fish Warden to whoever may desire them. The expense incurred in complying with this resolution shall be paid out of any funds in the State Treasury not otherwise appropriated, on the approval of the Board of State Auditors, and the warrant of the Auditor General.

Laid over one day under the rules.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Sawyer,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order, whereupon

The Speaker called Mr. Kimmis to the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following:

1. House bill No. 70 (file No. 8), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 33 of Chap. 108 of the revised statutes of 1846, relative to the proceedings to recover the possession of land in certain cases, the same being compiler's Sec. 8309 of Howell's annotated statutes, as amended by act 199 of the laws of 1863."

2. House bill No. 71 (file No. 9), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 33 of Chap. 108 of the revised statutes of 1846, relative to the action of ejectment, the same being compiler's Sec. 7819, Howell's annotated statutes.

3. House bill No. 86 (file No. 12), entitled

A bill to provide for service of notices, writs, or other process upon common councils, boards, commissions, and other public bodies, and for the making of answers by such bodies in suits or other judicial proceedings.

4. House bill No. 95 (file No. 13), entitled

A bill to provide for the collection and publication of statistics of divorces in Michigan;

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend their passage.

A. N. Kimmis, Jr.,

Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Sawyer,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the four named bills were put upon their immediate passage.

House bill No. 70 (file No. 8), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 27 of Chap. 123 of the revised statutes of 1846, relative to the proceedings to recover the possession of land in certain cases, the same being compiler's Sec. 8309 of Howell's annotated statutes, as amended by act 199 of the laws of 1863;

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Fuller	Mr. Perry
Alward	Gibson	Peters
Anderson	Gillam	Phillips, C. C.
Atkinson	Goodell	Phillips, M. F.
Babcock, C. G.	Goodyear	Powers
Babcock, H.	Graham	Putney
Belknap	Green	Reed
Bemis	Gustin	Rulison
Billings	Hammond	Savage
Bryan	Harris	Sawyer
Buskirk	Herrig	Scully
Camburn	Jackson	Shepherd, F.
Campbell	Kerr	Shisler
Chamberlain	Kimmis	Smith
Coad	Lusk	Stoneman
Colvin	Mayer	Tefft
Connors	McGill	Van Camp
Cousins	Molster	Washer.
Davis	Moore, M. G.	Weier
Dickinson, J. H.	Niedermeyer	Wetherbee
Dickinson, L. D.	Oberdorffer	Whitney
Donovan	O'Dett	Wing
Dudley	Otis	Zimmerman
Elkhoff	Pearson	Speaker
Fleischhauer		

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Title agreed to.

House bill No. 71 (file No. 9), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 33 of Chap. 108 of the revised statutes of 1846, relative to the action of ejectment, the same being compiler's Sec. 7819, Howell's annotated statutes;

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Foote	Mr. Peters
Alward	Fuller	Petrowsky
Anderson	Gibson	Phillips, C. C.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Gillam	Mr. Phillips, M. F.
Babcock, C. G.	Goodell	Powers
Babcock, H.	Goodyear	Putney
Belknap	Green	Reed
Bemis	Gustin	Rulison
Billings	Hammond	Savage
Buskirk	Harris	Sawyer
Caldwell	Herrig	Scully
Camburn	Jackson	Shepherd, F.
Campbell	Kimmis	Shisler
Chamberlain	Lusk	Smith
Colvin	Mayer	Stoneman
Connors	McGill	Tefft
Cousins	Molster	Van Camp
Davis	Moore, M. G.	Washer
Dickinson, J. H.	Niedermeier	Weier
Dickinson, L. D.	Oberdorffer	Wetherbee
Donovan	O'Dett	Whitney
Dudley	Otis	Wing
Eikhoff	Pearson	Zimmerman
Fleischhauer	Perry	Speaker

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NAYS.

Title agreed to.

House bill No. 86 (file No. 12), entitled

A bill to provide for service of notices, writs or other process upon common councils, boards, commissions, or other public bodies, and for the making of answers by such bodies in suits or other judicial proceedings;

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Fleischhauer	Mr. Pearson
Alward	Foote	Perry
Anderson	Fuller	Peters
Atkinson	Gibson	Petrowsky
Babcock, C. G.	Gillam	Phillips, C. C.
Babcock, H.	Goodell	Phillips, M. F.
Belknap	Goodyear	Powers
Bemis	Graham	Putney
Billings	Green	Reed
Bryan	Gustin	Rulison
Buskirk	Hammond	Savage
Caldwell	Harris	Sawyer
Camburn	Herrig	Scully
Campbell	Jackson	Shepherd, F.
Chamberlain	Kerr	Shisler
Coad	Kimmis	Smith
Colvin	Lusk	Tefft

Mr. Connors	Mr. Mayer	Mr. Van Camp
Cousins	McGill	Washer
Davis	Molster	Weier
Dickinson, J. H.	Moore, M. G.	Wetherbee
Dickinson, L. D.	Niedermeier	Whitney
Donovan	Oberdorffer	Wing
Dudley	O'Dett	Zimmerman
Eikhoff	Otis	Speaker

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NAYS.

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Title agreed to.

House bill No. 95 (file No. 13), entitled

A bill to provide for the collection and publication of statistics of divorces in Michigan;

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Fleischhauer	Mr. Perry
Alward	Foote	Peters
Anderson	Fuller	Phillips, C. C.
Atkinson	Gibson	Phillips, M. F.
Babcock, C. G.	Gillam	Powers
Babcock, H.	Goodell	Putney
Belknap	Goodyear	Reed
Bemis	Graham	Rulison
Billings	Gustin	Savage
Bryan	Hammond	Sawyer
Buskirk	Harris	Scully
Caldwell	Herrig	Shepherd, F.
Camburn	Jackson	Shisler
Campbell	Kerr	Smith
Chamberlain	Kimmis	Stoneman
Coad	Lusk	Tefft
Colvin	Mayer	Van Camp
Connors	McGill	Washer
Cousins	Molster	Weier
Davis	Niedermeier	Wetherbee
Dickinson, J. H.	Oberdorffer	Whitney
Dickinson, L. D.	O'Dett	Wing
Donovan	Otis	Zimmerman
Dudley	Pearson	Speaker
Eikhoff		

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Kimmis,

Leave of absence was granted to himself for tomorrow.

On motion of Mr. Petrowsky,

Leave of absence was granted to himself for tomorrow.

Mr. Fleischhauer moved that the House adjourn;
Which motion prevailed, and
The Speaker declared the House adjourned until 10 o'clock a. m.
tomorrow.

Lansing, Friday, February 5, 1897.

The House met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Mudge.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Mr. Davis.

On motion of Mr. Kelly,

Leave of absence was granted to all absentees for the day.

On motion of Mr. Scully,

Leave of absence was granted to himself for the day.

On motion of Mr. Cousins,

Leave of absence was granted to himself until Tuesday next.

On motion of Mr. F. M. Shepard,

Leave of absence was granted to Central Michigan Normal School committee until Thursday next.

On motion of Mr. Colvin,

Leave of absence was granted to himself until Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Fuller,

Leave of absence was granted to himself until Friday next.

On motion of Mr. Madill,

Leave of absence was granted to himself until Tuesday next.

On motion of Mr. Lusk,

Leave of absence was granted to himself until Tuesday next.

On motion of Mr. Bryan,

Leave of absence was granted to himself until Tuesday next.

Mr. Fuller, by unanimous consent, offered the following:

Resolved, That when the House adjourn today it stand adjourned until 7:30 p. m. on Monday, February 8;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Chamberlain, by unanimous consent, offered the following:

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That the Senate and House meet in joint convention in Representative Hall on Monday, February 15, at 8 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of listening to the distinguished Gen. Curtis, of New York City, on the subject of capital punishment, and also addressed by the Hon. William Alden Smith, M. C., and the two members of the Cuban junta, members of the foreign delegation to Washington, upon topics of general interest to the people of this State;

Pending the order that the resolution lie over one day under the rules,

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the resolution was put upon its immediate consideration.

The resolution was then adopted.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 77. By Mr. C. C. Phillips: Petition of David Smith and 70 other citizens against the protection of rabbits as game.

Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

No. 78. By Mr. C. C. Phillips: Petition of C. H. Merrifield, the Van Buren County Horticultural Society, and 300 other citizens of Van Buren county, against the protection of rabbits as game.

Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

No. 79. By Mr. Chamberlain: Memorial from the Fish and Game Protective Association, of Iron county, Wisconsin, and Gogebic county, Michigan, relative to proposed amendments in the game laws.

Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

No. 80. By Mr. Chamberlain: Memorial of the W. C. T. U. organization of Michigan relative to the liquor traffic within this State.

On demand of Mr. Chamberlain,

The memorial was read at length and spread at large on the Journal, as follows:

To the Honorable, the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan:—

Honorable Sirs—The undersigned memorialist officially representing the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of the State of Michigan, desire most respectfully to petition your honorable body to enact a statute during your present session, completely prohibiting the traffic in alcoholic beverages in this State. The reason for our request may be briefly stated, and we trust they will commend themselves to your conscientious convictions of duty. Prohibition is the only correct principle of legislation on this question, both in law and ethics. The business which we ask you to outlaw is essentially vicious in its nature and tendencies. It is incapable of being regulated either by license or tax, so as to be in harmony with the public good. Ample evidence to this effect can be cited from the public utterances of publicists and tourists of the highest repute, and inasmuch as the State as truly as the individual is amenable to the law of God, we ask that you will exercise your prerogative as legislators, by placing our noble commonwealth in harmony with the high and irreparable statutes which pronounces a "woe unto him that giveth his neighbor drink, that putteth thy bottle to him and maketh him drunken also."

We further submit, that to legislate the liquor trade in any form is a gross prostitution of political power; "Rulers should not be a terror to good works but to the evil."

Everywhere in society, the weak and defenseless are rendered more exposed to injury by the open saloon. These places are notoriously the crime-breeders of the State. Why then should the State in effect go into partnership with them and grant them protection?

Furthermore, the commodities in which liquor vendors deal are neither useful nor safe. Every transaction wherein any valuable consideration is paid for in intoxicating drink is of the nature of fraud. Alcohol used as a drink is incapable of rendering any real service, but always strikes in the direction of dishonorable death.

Again, we readily believe that apart from considerations of party politics and including the non-voting population, a vast majority of the

citizens of the State desire complete legal suppression of the liquor traffic. It should be borne in mind that the best informed friends claim that the small majority of 5,540 votes were only counted, not cast against the constitutional amendment on this question in 1887.

It may be objected that the policy of prohibition was once given a trial in Michigan for a number of years and finally abandoned in 1875, because of its inefficiency. It is a sufficient reply to this objection to call attention to the almost universally confessed failure to endorse the most salutary provisions of the regulation laws which have been substituted for prohibition. But, it seems to us such a slander on any subject upon the fair fame of our noble State to even intimate a just law on any subject cannot be enforced with reasonable strictness. If the executive department of the government is faithful to its trust, there can be no insurmountable difficulty in this direction.

But it is claimed that this State through its several municipalities derives a large revenue from the present method of taxing the traffic which goes far towards lessening expenses for local, internal improvements. Whoever urges this consideration as an argument against prohibition and in favor of a legalized liquor trade, needs to be better informed on the fundamental principles of political economy. Moreover, we beg reverently to cite on this point another brief passage from the Divine Law: "Woe to him that buildeth a town with blood and establisheth a city by iniquity."

Finally, we record the solemn conviction that the best elements of our Christian civilization must soon unite in some effective way to utterly overthrow the liquor power in the State and nation. And that you will find it consistent with your sense of duty to deal an effective blow upon the "gigantic crime of crimes" is and shall be the sincere prayer of your humble memorialists. The 8,000 women belonging to the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of the State of Michigan.

Referred to the committee on Liquor Traffic.

No. 81. By Mr. Chamberlain: Memorial of the W. C. T. U. organization of Michigan asking the passage of a law compelling the removal of screens and anything obstructing the view from the outside, of all places where liquor is sold.

On demand of Mr. Chamberlain,

The memorial was read at length and spread at large on the Journal, as follows:

To the Honorable, the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan.

Honorable Sirs—The undersigned memorialist officially representing the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of the State of Michigan, desire most respectfully to petition your honorable body to enact a statute during your present session completely prohibiting the use of screens, blinds, curtains or any other means or devices whatever by the keeper of any hotel, restaurant, saloon or any other place in which intoxicating or any other beverages may be sold or kept for sale, to obstruct, obscure, or in any manner interfere with the view of the interior of the premises where such intoxicating or other beverages may be sold, or kept for sale, at any day or time whatsoever.

Mrs. Jane M. Kinney,
State Supt. W. C. T. U.

No. 82. By Mr. Graham: Resolution of Alpine Grange No. 348, relative to the sending of newspapers after the expiration of the subscription.

On demand of Mr. Graham,

The resolution was read at length and spread at large on the Journal, as follows:

January 30, 1897.

Resolved, That this grange forward under seal and signature of master and secretary of our Senator and Representative at Lansing: That this grange request them to use all their good power to repeal the law that allows newspapers and periodicals sending their papers without order beyond the time of subscription; also

Resolved, That this grange request our legislature, now in session, to make no change in our system of highway taxation.

W. E. Chambers,
Master.

Cora Wheeler,
Secretary.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 83. By Mr. Atkinson: Petition of 87 citizens of Royal Oak asking that street railways running into the country be obliged to carry produce, etc.

Referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor,

House bill No. 188, entitled

An act to authorize the board of supervisors of Alcona county, State of Michigan, to issue \$10,000 of bonds for the purpose of paying matured orders and existing indebtedness;

For which your committee hold the receipt of the Executive office, dated February 4, 1897, at 4:15 o'clock p. m.

George E. Gillam,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor

House bill No. 102, entitled

An act to provide for the collection of delinquent taxes, on personal property remaining unpaid after the first of March in each year, in the county of Wayne;

For which your committee hold the receipt of the executive office dated February 4, 1897, at 4:37 o'clock p. m.

Geo. E. Gillam,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor

House bill No. 189, entitled

An act to authorize the township of Hill, in the county of Ogemaw, and State of Michigan, to borrow money to be used in the payment of outstanding orders of said township, and to issue bonds therefor;

For which your committee hold the receipt of the executive office dated February 4, 1897, at 4:15 o'clock p. m.

Geo. E. Gillam,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Towns and Counties:

The committee on Towns and Counties, to whom was referred

House bill No. 107, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 103 of chapter 12 of the compiled laws of 1871, being compiler's Sec. 749, as amended by act 199, laws of 1879, relative to the eligibility of persons to township offices;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Thos. C. Camburn,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on School for the Blind:

Your committee on the School for the Blind desire leave to submit the following report:

We have visited the school and have found that the institution is conducted in a careful and able manner, the inmates are well cared for during their stay at this school, and by careful and systematic training are prepared to be self-sustaining citizens upon their discharge.

The buildings are in a satisfactory condition of preservation and repair and the conditions of ventilation and heat as good as possible under the existing system.

The general conditions reflect credit upon the State and the present board of control.

We recommend that the following appropriations be made for the years 1897 and 1898:

For the year 1897, for current expenses.....	\$28,000.00
For the year 1898, for current expenses.....	28,000.00
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	\$56,000.00

S. C. Goodyear,
Edw. C. Bryan,
S. M. Billings,
H. Babcock.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The report was ordered referred to the committee on Ways and Means.
By the committee on Towns and Counties:

The committee on Towns and Counties, to whom was referred
House bill No. 132, entitled

A bill to change the name of the township of Pine Plains in the county
of Allegan to Valley township;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration,
and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without
amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged
from the further consideration of the subject.

Thos. M. Camburn,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole
and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Towns and Counties:

The committee on Towns and Counties, to whom was referred
House bill No. 129, entitled

A bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Saginaw county to pay
its committees during the time the board is not in session, and when so
first authorized by the board to serve and the time each member of said
committees may serve in any one year;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration,
and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without
amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged
from the further consideration of the subject.

Thos. M. Camburn,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole
and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Judiciary:

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred
House bill No. 195, entitled

A bill for the ascertainment and protection of the interests of the State
in escheated estates;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration,
and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed
for the use of the committee.

A. J. Sawyer,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Sawyer,

The request was granted, and the bill ordered printed for the use of
the committee.

By the committee on Judiciary:

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred
House bill No. 186, entitled

A bill to provide for the maintaining of actions by and against unin-
corporated voluntary associations, clubs and societies;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House with amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. J. Sawyer,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Sawyer,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Judiciary:

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 176, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 125 of the public acts of the legislature of the State of Michigan, for the year A. D. 1895, entitled "An act to reorganize the seventh judicial circuit and the thirtieth judicial circuit, and to designate the places of holding court therein, and to create the thirty-fifth judicial circuit, and for the employment, duties and compensation of a stenographer of said thirty-fifth judicial circuit;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House and recommend that the bill be referred to the committee on Revision and Amendment of our Statutes.

A. J. Sawyer,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Sawyer,

The bill was referred as requested by the committee to the committee on Revision and Amendment of Statutes.

By the committee on Judiciary:

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 171, entitled

A bill to amend continuous paragraph 7449, being Sec. 34 of Chap. 262 of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. J. Sawyer,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Sawyer,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Judiciary:

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 147, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 3 of act No. 56 of the public acts of 1889, as amended by act No. 89 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act providing for the employment, defining the duties and fixing the compensation of a stenographer for the eighth judicial circuit, State of Michigan, and to provide for the collection and disposition of stenographer's fee," approved April 23, 1889, the same being compiler's Sec. 6522g5 of Howell's annotated statutes;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House and recommend that the bill be referred to the committee on Revision and Amendment of our Statutes.

A. J. Sawyer,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Sawyer,

The bill was referred as requested by the committee to the committee on Revision and Amendment of the Statutes.

By the committee on Judiciary:

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 144, entitled

A bill to authorize the commencement and prosecution, in any of the courts of this State, of suits and other legal proceedings upon existing and future causes of action, against all express, transportation, dispatch and fast freight companies, or lines, and all associations, companies, or partnerships, whose business is, or involves handling, transporting, expressing, shipping, or delivering freight or express matter for others, within, through or across this State, in their association, partnership or artificial name, and defining and fixing the liability in such suits of the association, company, or partnership, and of the associates or members composing it, and prescribing the manner of service and execution of process and the jurisdiction and procedure of courts in such suits;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

A. J. Sawyer,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Sawyer,

The request was granted, and the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee.

By the committee on Judiciary:

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 141, entitled

A bill to provide for the taxation of inheritances, transfers of property by will, transfer of property by the intestate laws of this State, or transfers of property by deed, grant, bargain, sale or gift, made in contemplation of the death of the grantor, vendor or donor, or intended to take effect in possession or enjoyment at or after such death;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House and recommend that the bill be referred to the committee on General Taxation.

A. J. Sawyer,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Sawyer,

The bill was referred as requested by the committee to the committee on General Taxation.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 4, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 16, entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the current and running expenses of the Michigan Home for the Feeble Minded and Epileptic until the general appropriation for that purpose shall be available;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 4, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 54, entitled

A bill to authorize the boards of health of the townships of Bear Creek and Resort, in Emmet county, to convey certain real estate to the Greenwood cemetery board;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has been ordered to take immediate effect, and in all of which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Public Health.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 4, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following joint resolution:

Senate joint resolution No. 3 (file No. 2), entitled

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to Sec. 1, Art. 9, of the constitution of this State, relative to the salary of the Attorney General;

Which has passed the Senate by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 4, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 53, entitled

A bill to provide for a joint cemetery board for the townships of Resort and Bear Creek, and the city of Petoskey, in the county of Emmet, and to regulate the powers and duties thereof;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has been ordered to take immediate effect, and in all of which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 4, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 12 (file No. 1), entitled

A bill to provide for an extension of the corporate life of life insurance companies organized under the laws of the State, whose term of exist-

ence would otherwise expire, and to fix the duties and liabilities of such renewal corporations;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Insurance.

NOTICES.

Mr. Donovan gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 7291 of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan.

Mr. Chamberlain gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill in relation to police matrons in the several cities of this State.

Mr. Pearson gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 111 of an act entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy (and collection) of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of land delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased, and to repeal act No. 200 of the public acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act," approved June 1, 1893.

Mr. Chamberlain gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to establish a reformatory prison for women.

Mr. Goodyear gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend act No. 102 of the public acts of 1879, being compiler's Sec. 502 of volume 1 of Howell's annotated statutes, being an act to amend consecutive section 496 of the compiled laws of 1871, as amended by act 88 of the session laws of 1877, relative to the compensation of supervisors.

Mr. Bricker gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to prevent the prescribing or filling prescriptions from medicinal drugs by physicians, pharmacists or assistant pharmacists, while intoxicated or under the influence of alcoholic drinks, opium or morphine.

Mr. McGill gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to prohibit and make it unlawful for any judge of probate, register of any probate court and clerks of such courts from practicing therein or representing executors, administrators and guardians in any of the probate, circuit, municipal or any of the other courts of their respective counties, or representing any other person or persons in any of said courts

in any matter pertaining to any estate being administered in the probate courts of their respective counties, or any estate having been administered therein.

Mr. Bates gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide that when disputes between mutual or fraternal mutual life insurance or accident insurance companies, or benefit associations, and the persons insured are submitted to arbitration or referred to some committee, body or board to determine and adjust, the insured shall not thereby be precluded from redress in the courts.

Mr. Molster gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of act No. 48 of the public acts of 1893, entitled "An act to amend Sec. 2 of act No. 70 of the public acts of 1877, entitled 'An act for the more effectual prevention of cruelty to animals,'" approved April 25, 1877, being Sec. 9392 of Howell's annotated statutes.

Mr. Eikhoff gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Sec. 3, Art. 18, of the constitution of this State, relative to the confinement and employment of convicts.

Mr. Edgar gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide restrictions relative to discharge of inmates of certain State institutions, that such discharged inmates shall cease to be reproductive, providing rules and mode of procedure to restrict the propagation of kind.

Mr. L. D. Dickinson gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to tax bicycles and provide for the expenditure of said tax.

Mr. Bryan gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to prohibit the practice of vivisection.

Mr. Campbell gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill relative to appeals from justice courts where the amount involved is less than fifty dollars; being an act to amend Sec. 184 of Chap. 249 of Howell's annotated statutes, being Sec. 6999 of said compilation.

Mr. Peters gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to repeal act No. 250 of the session laws of 1887.

Mr. Peters gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to prohibit additional compensation by express companies doing business in this State for the delivery of packages or merchandise within the limits of chartered cities.

Mr. Goodell gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to add one new section to an act entitled "An act to prohibit and prevent adulteration, fraud and deception in the manufacture and sale of articles of food and drink," approved May 22, 1895.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Kelly, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 226, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 1 and 10 of act No. 70 of the laws of 1881, entitled "An act to authorize the formation of electric light companies," the same being compiler's Secs. 4182 and 4191 of Howell's annotated statutes, so as to enlarge the powers of electric light companies and allow them to furnish electrical light, gas, electricity and electrical power for lighting, heating and power purposes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Lusk, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 227, entitled

A bill to prescribe the manner of marking and to prevent fraud and deception in the manufacture and sale of dynamite or explosive cartridges in this State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Alward, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 228, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 27 and 40 of act No. 155 of the public acts of 1851, entitled "An act to provide for the formation of companies to construct plank roads," and to add a new section thereto, providing a penalty for non-compliance with the law.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Washer, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 229, entitled

A bill to provide for the transfer of money from the contingent fund of Bay county to the general fund of the county road commissioners of Bay county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Washer,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams

Alward

Anderson

Atkinson

Babcock, C. G.

Babcock, H.

Mr. Dudley

Elkhoff

Fleischhauer

Foster

Fuller

Gibson

Mr. O'Dett

Otis

Pearson

Perry

Peters

Phillips, C. C.

Mr. Bates	Mr. Gillam	Mr. Phillips, M. F.
Belknap	Goodell	Powers
Bemis	Goodyear	Reed
Billings	Green	Rulison
Bricker	Gustin	Savage
Bryan	Harris	Sawyer
Buskirk	Herrig	Shepard, F. M.
Cahoon	Jackson	Shepherd, F.
Caldwell	January	Shisler
Camburn	Kelly	Stoneman
Campbell	Kerr	Washer
Chamberlain	Lusk	Weier
Clark	Madill	Wetherbee
Coad	Mayer	Whitney
Colvin	McGill	Widoe
Cousins	Molster	Wing
Dickinson, J. H.	Moore, M. G.	Zimmerman
Dickinson, L. D.	Niedermeier	Speaker
Donovan	Oberdorffer	

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Washer,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Wetherbee, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 230, entitled

A bill to authorize the use of any thoroughly tested and reliable voting machine at any election held in this State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Elections.

Mr. Wetherbee, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 231, entitled

A bill to provide for the appointment of guardians of the persons of habitual drunkards, and of persons so addicted to the excessive use of intoxicating liquors or narcotic drugs as to need medical or sanitary treatment or care, and for restraining them in a suitable asylum or hospital, and to repeal act 241, public acts of 1879, entitled "An act concerning the appointment of guardians of habitual drunkards, or of persons so addicted to the excessive use of intoxicating liquors as to need medical or sanitary treatment or care."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Mayer, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 232, entitled

A bill to prohibit the hunting, or killing, or destroying, or disturbing the nests or eggs of any quail, or colin, sometimes called Virginia partridge, and to prohibit the sale or transportation of the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Peek, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 233, entitled

A bill providing for barring the right of dower of insane, imbecile or idiotic married women and authorizing sale or mortgage of such dower right.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Peek, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 234, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 36 of act No. 190 of the public acts of the State of Michigan of the year 1891, entitled "An act to prescribe the manner of conducting and to prevent fraud and deception at elections in this State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Elections.

Mr. Peek, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 235, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 7 of act No. 28 of the laws of 1887, entitled "An act to provide the appointment of a game and fish warden," as amended by act No. 110 of the public acts of the year 1893, the same being Sec. 2197 of Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Chamberlain, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 236, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 9 of the session laws of 1885, approved June 2, 1885, relative to the practice of pharmacy in the State of Michigan, being compiler's Sec. 2287c7 of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Peters, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 237, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 114 of an act entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased, and to repeal act No. 200 of the public acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act," being act No. 206 of the session laws of 1893.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. M. G. Moore, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 238, entitled

A bill to prohibit the use of second-hand packages of articles of food.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Public Health.

Mr. J. H. Dickinson, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 239, entitled

A bill for the suppression of mob violence.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Herrig, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 240, entitled

A bill to repeal act No. 273 of the public acts of 1889, entitled "An act to provide for selecting and drawing jurors for the circuit court for the county of Saginaw."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Bryan offered the following:

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That we, the members of the Legislature of the State of Michigan, express our earnest sympathy with, and hearty commendation of the effort now being made by Senator James McMillan, in the Congress of the United States, to regulate the practice of vivisection in the district of Columbia; that we regard this practice of torturing animals as cruel, inhuman, and unworthy of our civilization;

That a copy of this resolution, signed by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House, be forwarded to Senator James McMillan;

Pending the order that the resolution lie over one day under the rules,

On motion of Mr. Bryan,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the resolution was put upon its immediate consideration.

The resolution was then adopted.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS,

Being the consideration of the following:

WHEREAS, The demand is so great throughout the State for copies of the game and fish laws now being enforced by the State Game and Fish Warden and his deputies; therefore be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That the Secretary of State be and is hereby requested, authorized and empowered to compile, index and publish at the close of the present session twelve thousand copies of the laws of this State pertaining to the protection of game and fish then in force, and that may be enacted by this legislature, together with such annotations as he deems necessary to the proper understanding of the same. Said compilation of the game and fish laws shall be published in pamphlet form, with the exception of one hundred and fifty copies, which shall be bound in calf, and interleaved with blank leaves for additional notes; they shall contain

the name and address of the State Game and Fish Warden, together with a card requesting that all persons having or receiving knowledge of any violation of the game and fish laws report the same to the State Game and Fish Warden, and such laws may be distributed by the State Game and Fish Warden to whoever may desire them. The expense incurred in complying with this resolution shall be paid out of any funds in the State Treasury not otherwise appropriated, on the approval of the Board of State Auditors, and the warrant of the Auditor General.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,
The resolution was adopted.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Lusk,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order, whereupon

The Speaker called Mr. Pearson to the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose and, through their chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following:

House bill No. 119 (file No. 17), entitled

A bill to repeal act No. 95 of the public acts of 1885, entitled "An act to provide for the collection of apiarian statistics," being compiler's Secs. 838b and 838c of the third Howell's annotated statutes;

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend its passage.

Richard Pearson,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

Mr. Cousins moved that the House take a recess until 2 o'clock p. m., Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Chamberlain moved that the House adjourn, Which motion prevailed, and

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until 7:30 p. m. on Monday next.

Lansing, Monday, February 8, 1897.

The House met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Miller.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. Anderson, Atkinson, Cahoon, Caldwell, Chamberlain, Crippen, Davis, J. H. Dickinson, Foster, January, Kelly, E. W. Moore, Smith, Stewart, Van Camp, Vought, and Widoe.

On motion of Mr. Fleischhauer,
Leave of absence was granted to all absentees for the day.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 84. By Mr. Dudley: Petition of S. J. Hering and 26 others, relative to the prohibition of the wholesale slaughter of rabbits.

Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

No. 85. By Mr. Fleischhauer: Petition of Chas. Benscoter and 10 others relating to forming a new school district in Evart township, Osceola county.

Referred to the committee on Education.

No. 86. By Mr. L. D. Dickinson: Petition from Eaton county citizens, to amend drain law.

Referred to the committee on Drainage.

No. 87. By Mr. Fleischhauer: Petition from A. H. Corwin and 75 others of Marion, Osceola county, to have open season of trout and partridge earlier.

Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

No. 88. By Mr. Herrig: Petition of 150 citizens of Saginaw, asking for the repeal of act 445 of 1895, which prohibits the catching of fish with nets in the creeks and bayous along the Shiawassee river.

Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

No. 89. By Mr. Weier: Petition of C. L. Miller and 44 others of Monroe county asking the passage of House bills 10 and 11, relative to shooting grounds, etc., in Lake Erie.

Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

No. 90. By Mr. Dudley: Resolutions of White Cloud Sugar Beet association, John Harwood and 79 others asking for the passage of the bill providing for the encouragement of the manufacture of beet sugar, and providing a compensation therefor.

On demand of Mr. Dudley,

The resolutions were read at length and spread at large on the Journal, as follows:

At a meeting of the citizens of White Cloud and vicinity held February 5, 1897, at White Cloud, Mich., your bill "providing for the encouragement of the manufacture of beet sugar and to provide a compensation therefor and to make an appropriation therefor" was read at said meeting and received commendations from all present and the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That it is the sense of this association and citizens interested that your bill providing for a bounty for the purpose of encouraging the raising of sugar beets and manufacturing the same into sugar in this State does receive the hearty endorsement of this association, and request you to use every honorable endeavor to have the same become a law as our county (Newaygo county) is specially adapted to the cultivation of the sugar beet. Farmers in different parts of the county having shown their interest in this industry by raising sugar beets and having the same tested and found to average about 17 per cent of sugar, we therefore ask you to press the bill with all the vigor of which you are capable to have the same become a law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor

House bill No. 16, entitled

An act making appropriation for the current and running expenses of the Michigan Home for the Feeble Minded and Epileptic until the general appropriation for that purpose shall be available;

For which your committee hold the receipt of the Executive office dated February 5, 1897, at 3:25 o'clock p. m.

George E. Gillam,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

By the committee on State Affairs:

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 51, entitled

A bill to provide for the committing of pauper insane persons to the Kent county Insane Asylum and for the transfer of such persons to the State asylum and from the State asylum to the said county asylum, and to provide for the support and maintenance of such insane persons;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Henry Lee,
Chairman.

Report accepted, and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Speaker announced the following:

STATE OF MICHIGAN,
EXECUTIVE OFFICE.
Lansing, February 5, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives: .

Sir—I have this day approved, signed and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State,

House bill No. 188, being

An act to authorize the board of supervisors of Alcona county, State of Michigan, to issue ten thousand dollars of bonds for the purpose of paying matured orders and existing indebtedness.

Respectfully,
H. S. Pingree,
Governor.

The message was ordered spread on the Journal.

The Speaker also announced the following:

STATE OF MICHIGAN,
EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Lansing, February 5, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved, signed and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State,

House bill No. 102, being

An act to provide for the collection of delinquent taxes, on personal property remaining unpaid after the first of March in each year, in the county of Wayne.

Respectfully,

H. S. Pingree,
Governor.

The message was ordered spread on the Journal.

The Speaker also announced the following:

STATE OF MICHIGAN,
EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Lansing, February 5, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved, signed and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State,

House bill No. 78, being

An act to make townships in Huron county primarily liable for the payment of all drains incurred in the care of persons sick with contagious diseases, or diseases dangerous to the public health, or incurred in preventing the spread of such diseases, where said county is now primarily liable for such payment.

Respectfully,

H. S. Pingree,
Governor.

The message was ordered spread on the Journal.

The Speaker also announced the following:

STATE OF MICHIGAN,
EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Lansing, February 5, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved, signed and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State,

House bill No. 89, being

An act to amend Secs. 1 and 2 of act No. 326 of the local acts of 1895, entitled "An act to authorize the township of Whitney in Arenac county,

Michigan, to borrow money upon its bonds for the improvement of certain highways in that township," approved March 13, 1895.

Respectfully,

H. S. Pingree,
Governor.

The message was ordered spread on the Journal.

The Speaker also announced the following:

STATE OF MICHIGAN,
EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Lansing, February 5, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved, signed and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State,

House bill No. 111, being

An act to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 256 of local acts of 1893, approved March 6, 1893, entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Grant in Newaygo county, for the purpose of correcting clerical error in said Sec. 1, and to accurately describe the boundaries of said village of Grant."

Respectfully,

H. S. Pingree,
Governor.

The message was ordered spread on the Journal.

The Speaker also announced the following:

STATE OF MICHIGAN,
EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Lansing, February 5, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved, signed and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State,

House bill No. 189, being

An act to authorize the township of Hill, in the county of Ogemaw and State of Michigan, to borrow money to be used in the payment of outstanding orders of said township, and to issue bonds therefor.

Respectfully,

H. S. Pingree,
Governor.

The message was ordered spread on the Journal.

The Speaker also announced the following:

STATE OF MICHIGAN,
EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Lansing, February 5, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved, signed and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State,

House concurrent resolution No. 3, being

Resolved by the House (the Senate concurring), That we do heartily endorse the Hon. John B. Corliss in his efforts to have the emigration laws so amended as to restrict the tide of foreign labor which flows daily across our borders, robbing our citizens of employment only to return to a foreign land to invest their earnings, thereby depriving our merchants of a large volume of business which they are justly entitled to.

Respectfully,

H. S. Pingree,
Governor.

The message was ordered spread on the Journal.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 5, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has this day appointed Messrs. Barnum, Merriman and Campbell as a committee on the part of the Senate to act with the committee appointed by the House to consider the matters of difference existing between the two houses relative to the subject of mailing the daily Journal of the House and Senate.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The message was ordered spread on the Journal.

NOTICES.

Mr. Harris gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill making an appropriation for the Home for the Feeble Minded and Epileptic.

Mr. Harris gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for establishing and maintaining high schools in certain districts.

Mr. Petrowsky gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend act No. 63 of the public acts of 1867, being Sec. 3 of Chap. 286 of the statutes of Michigan, as compiled by Andrew Howell, and being an act to give justices of the peace jurisdiction in certain cases of forcible entry and detainer.

Mr. Herrig gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to regulate the salaries of the county officers of Saginaw county.

Mr. Herrig gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the board of education of the city of Saginaw, east side.

Mr. Peters gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the examination by the Commissioner of the Banking Department of the State, of all corporations incorporated under act No. 50, public acts 1887, and all acts amendatory thereto, and the compensation for making such examinations, and a penalty for the violation of any of the provisions of this act, and for the repeal of all existing laws inconsistent herewith.

Mr. Herrig gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend a charter of the union school district of the city of Saginaw, west side.

Mr. Hammond gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to prohibit and declare unlawful and void all arrangements, contracts, agreements, trusts or combinations between corporations or between corporations and individuals or between individuals, made with a view to lessen or which tend to lessen free competition in the production, importation, or sale of articles brought into this State, or produced in this State for export, or in the manufacture or sale of articles of domestic growth, or raw material; also to prohibit, declare unlawful and void all arrangements, trusts or combinations between persons or corporations, or between corporations, which are designed or which tend to advance rates or control the price of any such articles to the producer or consumer of such product or article; and to prescribe penalties for infringements of the provisions of this act.

Mr. Peters gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the free transportation by the railroads in this State for all State officers and members of the legislature.

Mr. Madill gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the village of Bad Axe, in Huron county, to receive all moneys raised for highway purposes within the corporate limits of said village upon the tax rolls of the townships of Verona and Colfax for the use and benefit of the highways and streets of said village.

Mr. Scully gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill authorizing the probate court to remove clouds upon titles of real estate after the decease of the lessee or mortgagee to whom a life lease, mortgage or other lien has been given.

Mr. Billings gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Marquette.

Mr. Gustin gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to incorporate school district No. 5 of Alpena township.

Mr. Gustin gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Secs. 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33 and 34 of act No. 206 of the public acts of the laws of 1893.

Mr. Gustin gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to reenact and amend Sec. 136 of public act No. 206 of the laws of 1893.

Mr. Gustin gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the incorporation of social clubs.

Mr. Connors gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 9 of act No. 140 of the public acts of 1889, entitled "An act to authorize the formation of corporations for acquiring and selling real estate, and erecting buildings thereon.

Mr. Washer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill entitled "An act to authorize the board of supervisors of Bay county to fix the compensation to be paid to the chairman of said board for services rendered as chairman of said board.

Mr. Gillam gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Secs. 2, 3 and 36 of act No. 190 of the public acts of 1891, entitled "An act to prescribe the manner of conducting and to prevent fraud and deception at elections in this State," approved July 3, 1891.

Mr. Washer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of an act entitled "An act to authorize the board of supervisors of Bay county to fix the compensation to be paid to members of committees of said board for committee work done by its order," being act No. 432 of local acts of 1895.

Mr. Washer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize a change of date of the meeting of the board of supervisors of Bay county as provided for by Sec. 324, page 167 of Howell's statutes of the State of Michigan.

Mr. Peters gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to prescribe the duties of telephone companies incorporated either within or without this State relative to the transmission and interchange of messages by one company received from another, and to provide for the recovery of damages for negligence or refusal to accept and transmit such messages, and to provide a penalty therefor.

Mr. Peters gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to prohibit nepotism by State officers and their appointees.

Mr. Peters gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend act No. 128 of the session laws of 1893, entitled "An act to fix the salaries of State officers named in the constitution of this State."

Mr. Edgar gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A concurrent resolution to provide for the appointment of a commission to be selected by the Governor to act with a like commission appointed by the Governor of Ohio to re-establish and fix permanent monuments to fix and mark the exact Michigan and Ohio line.

Mr. Dudley gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the examination of justices of the peace and notaries public, and making it unlawful for a justice of the peace or notary public to make, draft or prepare any instrument conveying title to real estate or creating a lien thereon, unless such examination has been passed.

Mr. Edgar gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide rules for the care and use of the Abbott voting machine at elections in this State.

Mr. Whitney gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 6 of act No. 198 of the session laws of 1877, entitled "An act to provide for a tax on dogs," as amended by act No. 283 of the public acts of 1881.

Mr. Foote gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the trustees of the Michigan Asylum for the Insane to erect a building for a physician's residence at the colony farm known as "Fair Oaks," and erect a building in connection with the female department of the Michigan Asylum for the Insane, both of said buildings to be paid for out of any surplus moneys in the hands of the treasurer of the asylum.

Mr. Foote gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend act 3 of the public acts of 1874, entitled "An act to authorize proceedings by the State to condemn private property for public use.

Mr. Fleischhauer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to form a new school district in Evart township, Osceola county.

Mr. Jackson gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the erection and maintenance of a fish chute or ladder for the passage of fish over the dam across the Maple river, in the township of Duplain, county of Clinton, and to provide a penalty for the violation of the provisions of this act.

Mr. Marsilje gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend act No. 203 of the public acts of 1877, approved May 23, 1877, entitled "An act relative to dividing townships and villages

into election districts and to provide for the registration of electors in such cases," by adding thereto another section to be known as section 14.

Mr. Bates gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to promote morality.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Oberdorffer, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 241, entitled

A bill to provide for the location, establishment and maintenance of a State agricultural and horticultural experiment station in the upper peninsula and to make an appropriation therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

Mr. Foote, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 242, entitled

A bill to authorize and empower the trustees of the Michigan Asylum for the Insane to convey certain State land in the city of Kalamazoo, for the purpose of extending Wheaton avenue.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Michigan Asylum.

Mr. F. Shepherd, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 243, entitled

A bill to amend the title and Secs. 1 and 15 of act No. 176 of the public acts of 1891, entitled "An act for the organization of school districts in the upper peninsula," approved June 30, 1891.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Pearson, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 244, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 111 of act No. 206 of the public acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy (and collection) of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the land taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State, and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal act No. 200 of the public acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act," approved June 1, 1893.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Washer, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 245, entitled

A bill to provide legal counsel for the board of county road commissioners of Bay county, and to require the prosecuting attorney of Bay county to act as legal counsel and advisor of said commissioners.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Goodell, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 246, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to prohibit and prevent adulteration, fraud and deception in the manufacture and sale of articles of food and drink," approved May 22, 1895, by adding thereto a new section to stand and be known as Sec. 17, and to renumber Secs. 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21 of said act, to stand and be known as Secs. 18, 19, 20, 21 and 22 respectively.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Public Health.

Mr. Donovan, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 247, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 149 of act No. 346 of the local acts of 1881, entitled "An act to revise an 'Act to incorporate the city of Bay City,'" approved March 30, 1881, as amended and revised by the several acts amendatory and revisionary thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Donovan,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill having been read a third time and the question being upon its passage, pending the taking of the vote thereon,

On motion of Mr. Molster,

The bill was referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Clute, previous notice having been give and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 248, entitled

A bill authorizing the incorporation of homes for aged, infirm, of indigent men or women.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Madill, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 249, entitled

A bill to declare unlawful and void all arrangements, contracts, agreements, trusts, or combinations made with a view to lessen, or which tend to lessen, free competition in the importation or sale of articles imported into this State, or in the manufacture and sale of articles of domestic growth or of domestic raw material; to declare unlawful and void all arrangements, contracts, trusts or combinations between persons, firms, companies, or corporations designed or which tend to advance, reduce or control the price of such product or article to producer or consumer of any such product or article; to provide for forfeiture of the charter and franchise of any corporation organized under the laws of this State, violating any of the povisions of this act; to prohibit any foreign corporation violating any of the provisions of this act from doing business in this State; to require the Attorney General of this State to institute legal

proceedings against any such corporation violating the provisions of this act, and to enforce the penalties prescribed; to prescribe penalties for any violations of this act; and to authorize any person, firm, company or corporation, damaged by any such trust, agreement or combination, to sue for the recovery of such damage, and for other purposes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Donovan, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 250, entitled

A bill to prohibit minors over the age of eight and under sixteen years of age from being upon the public streets, parks and alleys in the cities and incorporated villages of this State during certain hours of the night.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Gillam, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 251, entitled

A bill to vacate the township of Logan in the county of Ogemaw, and to incorporate its territory within the adjoining township of Churchill in Ogemaw county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Gillam,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill having been read a third time and the question being upon its passage, pending the taking of the vote thereon,

On motion of Mr. Sawyer,

The bill was referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Gillam, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 252, entitled

A bill to vacate the township of Foster, in the county of Ogemaw, and to incorporate its territory within the adjoining township of Rose, in Ogemaw county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Gillam, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 253, entitled

A bill to vacate the township of Mills in the county of Ogemaw and to incorporate its territory within the adjoining township of Horton, in Ogemaw county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Gillam, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 254, entitled

A bill to vacate the township of Beaver Lake in the county of Ogemaw, and to incorporate its territory within the adjoining township of Klacking, in Ogemaw county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 119 (file No. 17), entitled

A bill to repeal act No. 95 of the public acts of 1885, entitled "An act to provide for the collection of apiarian statistics," being compiler's Secs. 838b and 838c of the third Howell's annotated statutes;

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Allison	Mr. Gillam	Mr. Pearson
Babcock, C. G.	Goodell	Peek
Babcock, H.	Goodyear	Perry
Bates	Graham	Peters
Belknap	Green	Petrowsky
Bemis	Gustin	Phillips, M. F.
Buskirk	Harris	Powers
Camburn	Herrig	Putney
Campbell	Hofmeister	Reed
Clark	Jackson	Savage
Clute	Kimmis	Sawyer
Coad	Lee	Scully
Colvin	Madill	Shepherd, F.
Connors	Marsilje	Shisler
Cousins	Mayer	Stoneman
Dickinson, L. D.	McGill	Tefft
Donovan	Miller	Washer
Dudley	Molster	Weler
Edgar	Moore, M. G.	Wetherbee
Eikhoff	Niedermeler	Whitney
Fleischhauer	Oberdorffer	Wing
Foote	O'Dett	Zimmerman
Gibson	Otis	Speaker

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NAYS.

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Bates,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Sawyer offered the following:

WHEREAS, Our loved and distinguished fellow servant Hon. F. C. Chamberlain has become a Benedict; and

WHEREAS, The love and respect we have so lavishly bestowed upon him must now be divided, and a portion thereof fall upon the blushing bride whose beauty and intelligence won the great heart of our fortunate companion; and

WHEREAS, He is by reason thereof unable to attend the sessions of this House; now therefore be it hereby

Resolved, That Hon. F. C. Chamberlain be and he is hereby excused from attending the sessions of this House for one week;

Resolved, That the Sergeant-at-Arms be and he is hereby directed to drape the desk of Hon. F. C. Chamberlain with the American flag, and to place thereon daily a bouquet of flowers;

Which was adopted by an unanimous rising vote.

Mr. M. G. Moore moved to take from the table,

A bill to amend Sec. No. 1 of act No. 264 of the session laws of 1889, entitled "An act relative to disorderly persons and to repeal Chap. 53 of the compiled laws of 1871, as amended by the several acts amendatory thereof;"

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. M. G. Moore,

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

Mr. Kimmis offered the following:

Resolved, That the Board of State Auditors be requested to grant the use of Pioneer Hall to the Association of Mutual Fire Insurance Companies of Michigan, for Tuesday and Wednesday, February 9-10;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Pearson moved that the House go into committee of the whole on the

GENERAL ORDER.

Which motion did not prevail.

On motion of Mr. Peters,

The House adjourned.

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Lansing, Tuesday, February 9, 1897.

The House met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Slattery.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. Atkinson, Bryan, Crippen, Davis, Kelly, Scully, Smith, Van Camp, and Widoe.

On motion of Mr. Clark,

Leave of absence was granted to all absentees.

On motion of Mr. Oberdorffer,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Smith until Thursday next.

On motion of Mr. Williams,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Van Camp until Thursday next.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 91. By mail to the clerk: Petition of members of the Woman's Historical Club of Detroit, for support of the traveling library system.

Referred to the committee on State library.

No. 92. By Mr. Perry: Petition of the Bear Lake W. C. T. U., the Bear Lake M. E. and Baptist churches and Sunday schools, the Bear Lake Young People's Union and Epworth League, the Bear Lake lodge, No. 35, I. O. O. F., and numerous other citizens, to prohibit manufacture and sale of cigarettes.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 93. By Mr. Perry: Petitions of Bear Lake White Shield Society for the prohibition of the manufacture and sale of cigarettes.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 94. By Mr. Fleischhauer: An open letter signed by annexation committee of Lake county asking to have that county annexed to Osceola.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 95. By Mr. Fleischhauer: Remonstrance signed by a citizens' committee against disorganizing Lake county.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 96. By Mr. Madill: Petition of the common council of the village of Bad Axe relative to the bill authorizing the village of Bad Axe to receive all moneys raised for highway purposes within the corporate limits of said village upon the tax rolls of the townships of Verona and Colfax for the use and benefit of said village.

Referred to the committee on Village Corporations.

No. 97. By Mr. Kimmis: Petition of 73 freeholders of Oakland county praying that the fish and game laws be amended or the office of Fish and Game Warden be abolished.

Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

No. 98. By Mr. Fleischhauer: Petition of 97 citizens of Osceola township, Osceola county, relating to fish laws.

Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

No. 99. By Mr. L. D. Dickinson: Petition of citizens of Eaton county for amendment to the drain law.

Referred to the committee on Drainage.

No. 100. By Mr. Gibson: Petition of W. G. Porter and 116 others asking for the passage of the bill for the equalization of soldiers' bounties.

Referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

No. 101. By Mr. Lee: Petition of the State Millers' Association.

On demand of Mr. Lee,

The petition was read at length and spread at large on the Journal, as follows:

MICHIGAN STATE MILLERS' ASSOCIATION,
Lansing, February 9, 1897.

The honorable members of the committee on State Affairs, House of Representatives:

Gentlemen—The flour millers of Michigan, through the executive committee of the State association, respectfully petition your honorable

body, and request that you incorporate in a bill now pending which provides for the purchase by the management of each State institution, of Michigan grown provisions, etc., etc., a section as follows:

A section providing that the managers or overseers of every State institution shall purchase and use exclusively in said institution the flour (white flour and graham flour) manufactured from Michigan grown wheat by flouring mills located within the State of Michigan.

Respectfully yours,

J. J. Hanshue,
Secretary.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on Judiciary:

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred
House bill No. 231, entitled

A bill to provide for the appointment of guardians of the persons of habitual drunkards, and of persons so addicted to the excessive use of intoxicating liquors or narcotic drugs as to need medical or sanitary treatment or care, and for restraining them in a suitable asylum or hospital, and to repeal act 241 of public acts of 1879, entitled "An act concerning the appointment of guardians of habitual drunkards, or of persons so addicted to the excessive use of intoxicating liquors as to need medical or sanitary treatment or care;"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

A. J. Sawyer,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Sawyer,

The request was granted and the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee.

By the committee on Judiciary:

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred
House bill No. 207, entitled

A bill to authorize and empower judges of probate, in certain cases, to license executors, administrators and guardians to borrow money by mortgaging or otherwise pledging the estates of deceased persons and persons under guardianship, and to repeal act 165, laws of Michigan of 1861, entitled "An act to authorize and empower judges of probate to license executors, administrators and guardians to mortgage or otherwise pledge estates for the settlement of debts against the same," and acts amendatory thereof;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

A. J. Sawyer,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Sawyer,
The request was granted, and the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee.

By the committee on Judiciary:

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 233, entitled

A bill providing for barring the right of dower of insane, imbecile or idiotic married women, and authorizing sale or mortgage of such dower right;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. J. Sawyer,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Sawyer,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on City Corporations:

The committee on City Corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 203, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to amend the laws relative to supplying the city of Detroit with pure and wholesome water," approved February 14, 1853;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

P. Herrig,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Herrig,

The request was granted, and the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee.

By the committee on City Corporations:

The committee on City Corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 135, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 28 of an act entitled "An act to amend the laws relative to supplying the city of Detroit with pure and wholesome water," approved February 14, 1853, being act No. 90 of the acts of 1853, as amended by the various acts amendatory thereof;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

P. Herrig,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Herrig,

The request was granted, and the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee.

By the committee on Private Corporations:

The committee on Private Corporations, to whom was referred House bill No. 24 (file No. 7), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 8, Chap. 112, of Howell's statutes, entitled "Water power companies," being compiler's Sec. 3881 of Howell's annotated statutes;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

M. G. Moore,

Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Local Taxation:

The committee on Local Taxation, to whom was referred House bill No. 153, entitled

A bill to legalize and make valid certain assessments for lateral sewers purposes in the city of Negaunee, Marquette county, Michigan, and to provide a method for collecting delinquent assessments thereunder;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Jasper N. Clark,

Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Private Corporations:

The committee on Private Corporations, to whom was referred House bill No. 45, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of act No. 108 of the public acts of 1889, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of trust, deposit and security companies, and to repeal act 58 of the session laws of 1871, approved March 29, 1871, entitled 'An act to provide for the incorporation of trust, deposit and security companies' being Chap. 88 of Howell's annotated statutes; also to repeal act No. 123 of session laws of 1883, approved May 25, 1883, entitled 'An act to amend Sec. 9 of act 58 of the session laws of 1871' approved March 29, 1871, being compiler's Sec. 2290, relative to the corporate rights of trust, deposit and security companies."

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

M. G. Moore,

Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Towns and Counties:

The committee on Towns and Counties, to whom was referred House bill No. 198, entitled

A bill providing for the payment of salaries to county officers and providing for the disposition of the fees received by such officers;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

T. M. Camburn,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Camburn,

The request was granted, and the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee.

By the committee on State Affairs:

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred House bill No. 227, entitled

A bill to prescribe the manner of marking and to prevent fraud and deception in the manufacture and sale of dynamite or explosive cartridges in this State;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Henry Lee,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State Affairs:

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred House joint resolution No. 3, entitled

Joint resolution directing the board of State Auditors to settle and adjust the claim made by Joseph Schefneker against the State of Michigan for services and money expended by him in recruiting volunteers for the war of the rebellion, from April, 1861; part of four companies up to the organization of the 14th regiment of Michigan Infantry;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without recommendation, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Henry Lee,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was laid on the table.

NOTICES.

Mr. Lusk gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 3 of act 115 of the public acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the government, management and control of the State Public School at Coldwater, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act.

Mr. Rulison gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act 100 of the session laws of 1887, being Sec. 9119 of Howell's annotated statutes, relative to danger signals at places of ice cutting.

Mr. O'Dett gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to limit the time that county and township officers shall hold office.

Mr. Sawyer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 5 of an act entitled "An act to revise and consolidate the laws relative to the State Prison, to the State House of Correction and branch of the State Prison in the upper peninsula, and to the House of Correction and Reformatory at Ionia, and the government and discipline thereof, and to repeal all acts inconsistent therewith," being act No. 118 of the public acts of the State of Michigan of the year 1893, approved May 26, 1893.

Mr. Sawyer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of "An act establishing a State agency for the care of juvenile offenders," approved April 29, 1873, as amended by act No. 178 of the public acts of 1887, being Sec. 9895 of Howell's annotated statutes.

Mr. Sawyer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 8218 of the third volume of Howell's annotated statutes, relative to "proceedings by and against public bodies having certain corporate powers, and by and against officers representing them."

Mr. Lee gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the publication and distribution of the laws relative to highways and bridges.

Mr. McGill gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the city of Grand Rapids to issue its bonds for the improvement of the navigation of Grand River, to provide for the disposal of the proceeds of such bonds, and for the appointment of a board of commissioners to take charge of such improvements and to prescribe their powers and duties.

Mr. Buskirk gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill amending Sec. 8, act 54, public acts of 1891, relative to use of team and tools in performing highway labor tax.

Mr. Herrig gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to regulate building and loan associations.

Mr. Weier gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the protection of persons and property in highways at steam or electric railroad or street railway crossings over public highways, regulating the use of such crossings by street railway, electric or steam railroad companies, and providing for damages for persons or property injured thereat.

Mr. C. G. Babcock gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter incorporating the village of Quincy, Branch county.

Mr. Gustin gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A joint resolution authorizing the Board of State Auditors to investigate, examine and settle any claim found to be due Alpena county against the State of Michigan.

Mr. F. Shepherd gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of slack water navigation companies, for the improvement of rivers in the counties of St. Joseph, Cass, Berrien and Cheboygan, and defining their powers and duties," approved March 25, 1867, being act No. 411 of the session laws of 1867 as amended by act No. 110 of the session laws of 1871, approved April 13, 1871, by adding thereto two sections to stand as Secs. 24 and 25.

Mr. H. Babcock gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to regulate charges for the transmission and delivery of telegraphic messages within the State of Michigan.

Mr. Anderson gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Secs. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, and 12 of act No. 306 of the local acts of 1893, entitled "An act relative to justices' courts in the city of Grand Rapids, to reduce the number thereof and to fix the compensation of such justices, and provide a clerk and offices therefor," approved March 22, 1893, as amended, and to add ten new sections thereto to stand as Secs. 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22 and 23.

Mr. January gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for and regulate the filing of notes of issue and the service of notices of trials in courts of law and in equity.

Mr. Fleischhauer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to dissolve the organization of Lake county and annex the territory to the county of Osceola.

Mr. Herrig gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 33 of act No. 269 of the public acts of 1895.

Mr. Coad gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to vacate the village of Nemoka and attach the same to the village of Haslett Park.

Mr. Peek gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 8 of act No. 313 of the public acts of 1887, entitled "An act to provide for the taxation and regulation of the business of manufacturing, selling, keeping for sale, furnishing, giving or delivering spiritous and intoxicating liquors and malt, brewed or fermented liquors, and vinous liquors, in this State, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act."

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Dudley, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 255, entitled

A bill to provide for the examination of justices of the peace and notaries public, and making it unlawful for a justice of the peace or notary public to make, draft or prepare any instrument conveying title to real estate or creating a lien thereon, unless such examination has been passed.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Bricker, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 256, entitled

A bill to provide interchangeable telephone service, and to regulate the price of telephones.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Harris, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 257, entitled

A bill to provide for establishing and maintaining high schools in certain school districts.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Madill, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 258, entitled

A bill to authorize the village of Bad Axe in Huron county to receive all moneys raised for highway purposes within the corporate limits of said village upon the tax of the townships of Verona and Colfax for the use and benefit of the highways and streets of said village.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Village Corporations.

Mr. Clute, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 259, entitled

A bill to repeal Secs. 32 and 33, and to amend Secs. 28, 29, 30 and 31 of act No. 206 of the public acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making

such taxes a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and containing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal act No. 200 of the public acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Hammond, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 260, entitled

A bill to prohibit and declare unlawful and void all arrangements, contracts, agreements, trusts or combinations between corporations or between corporations and individuals or between individuals, made with a view to lessen or which tend to lessen free competition in the production, importation, or sale of articles brought into this State, or produced in this State for export, or in the manufacture or sale of articles of domestic growth, or raw material; also to prohibit, declare unlawful and void all arrangements, trusts or combinations between persons or corporations, or between corporations, which are designed or which tend to advance rates or control the price of any such articles to the producer or consumer of such product or article; and to prescribe penalties for infringements of the provisions of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Foote, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 261, entitled

A bill authorizing and empowering the trustees of the Michigan Asylum for the Insane, at Kalamazoo, to erect one building for a physician's residence at the asylum colony farm, known as "Fair Oaks" and to erect a building in connection with the female department of the Michigan Asylum for the Insane, to be used as a common dining room for female patients, and to make payment for the same out of any surplus monies in the hands of the treasurer of said asylum.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Michigan Asylum.

Mr. Foote, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 262, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 1 and 2 of act No. 3 of the public acts of 1874, entitled "An act to authorize proceedings by the State to condemn private property," approved March 24, 1874, the same being compiler's Secs. 5196 and 5197 of Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Gibson (by request), previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 263, entitled

A bill to authorize the payment of State bounties to soldiers mustered from this State into the service of the United States during the years

1861, 1862, 1863, 1864 and 1865, and to provide for the raising of money therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Bates, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 264, entitled

A bill to promote morality.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Bates, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 265, entitled

A bill to provide that where disputes between mutual or fraternal mutual life insurance or accident insurance companies, or benefit associations, and the persons insured, are submitted to arbitration or referred to some committee, body or board, to determine and adjust, the insured shall not thereby be precluded from redress in the courts.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Insurance.

Mr. Goodyear, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 266, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 102 of the public acts of 1879, being compiler's Sec. 502 of volume 1, Howell's annotated statutes, being an act to amend consecutive sections 496 of the compiled laws of 1871, as amended by act No. 88 of the session laws of 1877, relative to the compensation of supervisors.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Goodyear, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 267, entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the Michigan School for the Blind, for the years 1897 and 1898.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on School for the Blind.

Mr. Vought, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 268, entitled

A bill to prohibit the selling, giving or furnishing of cigarettes, cigarette tobacco, and cigarette paper in any of its forms or any substitute therefor and to prevent the keeping of the same for sale or otherwise by any person or persons, firm or corporation, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Public Health.

Mr. Whitney, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 269, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 6 of act No. 198 of the session laws of 1877, entitled "An act to provide for a tax upon dogs and to create a fund for the pay-

ment of certain damages for sheep killed or wounded by them in certain cases," approved May 23, 1877, as amended by act No. 283 of the public acts of 1881, approved June 11, 1881.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. C. G. Babcock, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 270, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 3 and 4 of acts 158 and 159 of the session laws of 1877, relative to teachers' institutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Marsilje, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 271, entitled

A bill to amend act 203 of public acts of 1877, approved May 23, 1877, entitled "An act relative to dividing townships and villages into election districts, and to provide for the registration of electors in such cases," by adding thereto another section to be known as Sec. 14.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Elections.

Mr. Edgar, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 272, entitled

A bill to provide rules for the care and use of the Abbott voting machine at elections in this State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Elections.

Mr. Campbell, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 273, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 184 of Chap. 249 of Howell's annotated statutes, relative to appeals from justices' courts, being Sec. 6999 of said compilation.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. C. G. Babcock, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 274, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 377 of the local acts of 1887, entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Sherwood, in Branch county."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee.

On motion of Mr. C. G. Babcock,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Allison	Mr. Foster	Mr. Otis
Anderson	Gibson	Pearson
Atkinson	Gillam	Peek
Babcock, C. G.	Goodell	Perry
Babcock, H.	Goodyear	Peters
Bates	Graham	Petrowsky
Billings	Green	Phillips, M. F.
Bricker	Hammond	Powers
Buskirk	Harris	Putney
Cahoon	Herrig	Reed
Caldwell	Hofmeister	Savage
Camburn	Jackson	Sawyer
Clark	January	Scully
Clute	Kimmis	Shepherd, F.
Coad	Lee	Shisler
Colvin	Madill	Stewart
Connors	Marsilje	Tefft
Cousins	Mayer	Vought
Dickinson, J. H.	McGill	Washer
Dickinson, L. D.	Miller	Weier
Donovan	Molster	Wetherbee
Dudley	Moore, E. W.	Williams
Edgar	Moore, M. G.	Wing
Elkhoff	Niedermeler	Zimmerman
Fleischhauer	Oberdorffer	Speaker
Foote	O'Dett	

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. O. G. Babcock,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Scully, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 275, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 26, 33, 37, 39, 47, 89, 102 and 108, and to repeal sub-division of Sec. 39 of the session laws of 1873, entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Ionia," approved March 21, 1873, and all acts and parts of acts amendatory of said sections, and to add thereto two new Secs. 116 and 117.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Putney, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 276, entitled

A bill to change the name of Thomas O'Connor to Thomas E. O'Connor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Putney,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Allison	Mr. Foote	Mr. Otis
Anderson	Foster	Pearson
Babcock, C. G.	Gibson	Perry
Babcock, H.	Gillam	Peters
Bates	Goodell	Petrowsky
Bemis	Goodyear	Phillips, M. F.
Billings	Graham	Powers
Bricker	Green	Putney
Buskirk	Hammond	Reed
Cahoon	Herrig	Rulison
Caldwell	Hofmeister	Savage
Camburn	Jackson	Scully
Campbell	January	Shepherd, F.
Clark	Kimmis	Shisler
Clute	Lee	Stewart
Coad	Madill	Stoneman
Colvin	Marsilje	Tefft
Connors	Mayer	Vought
Cousins	McGill	Washer
Dickinson, J. H.	Miller	Weler
Dickinson, L. D.	Molster	Wetherbee
Donovan	Moore, E. W.	Whitney
Dudley	Moore, M. G.	Williams
Edgar	Niedermeier	Wing
Eikhoff	Oberdorffer	Zimmerman
Fleischhauer	O'Dett	Speaker

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Putney,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Connors, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 277, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 9 of act No. 140 of the public acts of 1889, entitled "An act to authorize the formation of corporations for acquiring, holding, leasing and selling real estate, and for the erection of buildings thereon," approved June 8, 1889, and being compiler's Sec. 3983c of third Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan, as amended by act No. 60 of the public acts of 1891, approved May 6, 1891.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Harris, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House joint resolution No. 13, entitled

Joint resolution to designate and adopt a State flower.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Graham,

The House went into committee of the whole on the general order, whereupon

The Speaker called Mr. Madill to the chair.

After some time spent therein the committee rose and, through their chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following:

1. House bill No. 13 (file No. 1), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 38 of act No. 44 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to prescribe the manner of conducting and to prevent fraud and deception at elections in this State."

2. House bill No. 121 (file No. 19), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 6 of act 187 of the session laws of 1887, approved June 17, 1887, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of co-operative and mutual benefit associations, and to define the powers and duties and regulate the transaction of the business of all such corporations and associations doing business within this State," and to add two new sections thereto to stand as Secs. 32 and 33.

3. House bill No. 22 (file No. 6), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 3 of an act entitled "An act to provide for the payment of a franchise fee by corporations," being act No. 182 of the public acts of Michigan for 1891, as amended by acts No. 79 of the public acts of 1893 and No. 91 of the public acts of 1895;

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend their passage.

The committee of the whole have also had under consideration the following:

4. House bill No. 27 (file No. 20), entitled

A bill to provide for the registration of deaths in Michigan and requiring certificates of death;

Have made sundry amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend its passage.

The committee of the whole have also had under consideration the following:

5. House bill No. 2 (file No. 2), entitled

A bill to amend act No. 149 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the election of a board of county canvassers, and to prescribe the term of office and powers and duties thereof, and repeal all acts and parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act;"

And have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that it be recommitted to the committee on Elections.

The committee of the whole have also had under consideration the following:

6. House bill No. 28 (file No. 16), entitled

A bill to protect the owners of bottles, boxes, siphons, fountains and kegs, used in the sale of milk, cream, soda water, mineral or aerated waters, porter, ale, cider, ginger ale, small beer, lager beer, Weiss beer, beer, white beer, or other beverages;

And have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that it be laid on the table.

J. B. Madill,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The first, second and third named bills were placed on the order of third reading.

On motion of Mr. Wetherbee,

The House concurred in the amendments made by the committee to the fourth named bill and it was placed on the order of third reading.

On motion of Mr. Sawyer,

The House concurred in the recommendation of the committee relative to the fifth named bill and it was referred to the committee on Elections.

On motion of Mr. Wetherbee,

The House concurred in the recommendation of the committee relative to the sixth named bill, and it was laid on the table.

By unanimous consent, the following report was presented:

The Conference committee of the Senate and House, to whom was referred the Senate concurrent resolution, the House substitute therefor and the Senate amendments to the House substitute relative to the distribution of the Legislative Journal, and the matters of difference between the two houses in regard thereto, beg leave to report that they have had the same under consideration, and recommend the adoption of the following substitute for the original Senate resolution and House substitute therefor:

Resolved by the Senate (the House concurring), That the contractor to be employed by the Judiciary committees of the House and Senate be instructed to forward one copy of the daily Journal to each daily and weekly newspaper published within the State, and to each State officer, each institution, supreme and circuit judge, county clerk, prosecuting attorney, each public library, superior and recorder's court in the State, each county school commissioner and superintendent of each union or high school in the State, and to not to exceed twenty-five citizens of each senatorial district and to ten citizens of each representative, and that the amount of postage on such copies of said Journal be paid by the State Treasurer on the warrant of the Auditor General, on the presentation of bills duly certified by the postmaster at Lansing and by the Secretary of State, showing that such stamps have been purchased and used only for the payment of postage on said copies of said Journal hereby ordered to be distributed.

E. C. Barnum,
Chairman Senate Committee.

A. J. Sawyer,
Acting Chairman of House Committee.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the report,
The report was adopted.

Mr. Sawyer sent to the desk the following telegram:

Detroit, Mich., February 9, 1897.

Hon. A. J. Sawyer, House of Representatives, Lansing, Mich.:

We are very grateful to my fellow members of the House for the honor done us yesterday in the adoption of your kind congratulatory resolutions.

F. C. Chamberlain.

The telegram was ordered spread on the Journal.

On motion of Mr. Peters,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Wednesday, February 10, 1897.

The House met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Miller.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. Atkinson, Bates, Crippen, Kelly and Widoe.

On motion of Mr. Adams,

Leave of absence was granted to all absentees for the day.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 102. By Mr. L. D. Dickinson: Petition from Charlotte Grange relative to the drain law.

Referred to committee on Drainage.

No. 103. By Mr. Bryan: Petition for the repeal of an act to regulate the manufacture and provide for the inspection of salt.

Referred to the committee on Lumber and Salt.

No. 104. By Mr. Bryan: Petition of 24 citizens of Wyandotte protesting against the bill making insanity a sufficient ground for divorce.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 105. By Mr. Lusk (by request): Memorial of Michigan Spiritualist Association relative to House bill No. 44.

On demand of Mr. Lusk,

The memorial was read at length and spread at large on the Journal, as follows:

To the Honorable House of the Legislature of Michigan:

The Michigan State Spiritual Association, a body of eight hundred and seven members, incorporated under the laws of this State, assembled in regular mid-winter convention in the city of Lansing, February 5, 6 and

7, 1897, respectfully and earnestly petition for defeat of the so-called medical bill, being House bill No. 44, to provide for board of medical examiners and the registration of physicians and surgeons; because it does not recognize our spiritual medium healers, on whom many thousands of citizens of our State rely in cases of sickness; because the people who employ physicians have not desired such law, and it is asked for by those who wish to oblige the many patrons of our healers to depend on the four schools of medicine named by them in the bill and rob us of methods we greatly prefer to theirs.

(Signed.)

May F. Ayres,

Secretary.

Luther V. Moulton,

President.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 106. By Mr. Lusk (by request): Memorial of Owosso Spiritual Society relative to House bill No. 44, to regulate the practice of medicine.

Referred to committee on Public Health.

No. 107. By Mr. Kerr: Petition of the township board of James township, Saginaw county, for permission to bond for bridge purposes.

Referred to committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 108. By Mr. E. W. Moore: Petition from the W. C. T. U. of Battle Creek for a law prohibiting the sale of liquors within three miles of any institution of learning.

Referred to committee on Liquor Traffic.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on Ways and Means:

The committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred

House bill No. 25, entitled

A bill to provide for the purchase of books and equipments for the Michigan State Library and the Michigan traveling libraries;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House with amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the joint resolution when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Charles Smith,

Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Smith,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Ways and Means:

The committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 1, entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the current and running expenses of the Michigan Mining School until the general appropriation for that purpose shall be available;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Charles Smith,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Smith,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Foote	Mr. Pearson
Allison	Foster	Peek
Alward	Gibson	Peters
Anderson	Gillam	Phillips, C. C.
Babcock, C. G.	Goodell	Phillips, M. F.
Babcock, H.	Goodyear	Powers
Belknap	Graham	Putney
Bemis	Green	Reed
Billings	Hammond	Rulison
Bricker	Harris	Savage
Bryan	Herrig	Scully
Buskirk	Hofmeister	Shepard, F. M.
Cahoon	Jackson	Shepherd, F.
Caldwell	January	Shisler
Camburn	Kimmis	Smith
Clute	Lee	Stewart
Coad	Lusk	Tefft
Colvin	Madill	Van Camp
Connors	Marsilje	Vought
Cousins	Mayer	Washer
Davis	Miller	Weier
Dickinson, J. H.	Molster	Wetherbee
Dickinson, L. D.	Moore, E. W.	Whitney
Donovan	Moore, M. G.	Williams
Dudley	Niedermeler	Wing
Edgar	Oberdorffer	Zimmerman
Elkhoff	O'Dett	Speaker
Fleischhauer	Otis	

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Smith,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

By the committee on City Corporations:

The committee on City Corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 164, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of Chap. 5 and Sec. 3 of Chap. 5 of an act entitled "An act to revise the charter of the city of Negaunee, in Marquette county, being amendatory to an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the city of Negaunee, in Marquette county,' " approved April 11, 1873, and the acts amendatory thereof, approved March 27, 1891, and the acts amendatory thereof;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Peter Herrig,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Billings,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Fleischhauer	Mr. Otis
Allison	Footé	Pearson
Alward	Gibson	Peek
Anderson	Gillam	Peters
Babcock, C. G.	Goodell	Petrowsky
Babcock, H.	Goodyear	Phillips, C. C.
Belknap	Graham	Phillips, M. F.
Bemis	Green	Putney
Billings	Gustin	Rulison
Bricker	Hammond	Savage
Bryan	Harris	Scully
Buskirk	Herrig	Shepard, F. M.
Oahoon	Hofmeister	Shepherd, F.
Caldwell	Jackson	Shisler
Camburn	January	Smith
Campbell	Kerr	Stewart
Clark	Kimnis	Stoneman
Coad	Lee	Tefft
Colvin	Lusk	Van Camp
Connors	Madill	Vought
Cousins	Marsilje	Washer.
Davis	Mayer	Weler
Dickinson, J. H.	Miller	Wetherbee
Dickinson, L. D.	Moore, E. W.	Whitney
Donovan	Moore, M. G.	Williams
Dudley	Niedermeyer	Wing

Mr. Edgar
Elkhoff

Mr. Oberdorffer
O'Dett

Mr. Zimmerman
Speaker

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Billings,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

By the committee on City Corporations:

The committee on City Corporations, to whom was referred
House bill No. 151, entitled

A bill to revise the charter of the city of Grand Rapids;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House with amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Peter Herrig,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Anderson,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

On motion of Mr. Anderson,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams
Allison
Anderson
Babcock, C. G.
Babcock, H.
Belknap
Bemis
Billings
Bricker
Bryan
Buskirk
Cahoon
Caldwell
Camburn
Campbell
Clark
Clute
Coad
Colvin
Connors

Mr. Foote
Foster
Gibson
Gillam
Goodell
Goodyear
Green
Gustin
Hammond
Harris
Herrig
Hofmeister
Jackson
January
Kerr
Kimmis
Lee
Lusk
Madill
Marsilje

Mr. Peek
Perry
Peters
Petrowsky
Phillips, C. C.
Phillips, M. F.
Putney
Reed
Rulison
Savage
Scully
Shepard, F. M.
Shepherd, F.
Shisler
Smith
Stewart
Stoneman
Tefft
Van Camp
Vought

Mr. Cousins	Mr. Mayer	Mr. Washer
Davis	Miller	Weiler
Dickinson, J. H.	Moore, M. G.	Wetherbee
Dickinson, L. D.	Niedermeyer	Whitney
Dudley	Oberdorffer	Williams
Edgar	O'Dett	Wing
Elkhoff	Otis	Zimmerman
Fleischhauer	Pearson	Speaker

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Anderson,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

By the committee on Education and State Affairs:

The committee on Education and State Affairs, to whom was referred House bill No. 64 (file No. 3), entitled

A bill to create a board of commissioners for the purpose of securing for use in the common and primary schools of the State of Michigan a uniform series of text books, to fix the maximum price to be charged for said books and to make an appropriation for carrying out the provisions of this act;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. Bemis,
Chairman.

Henry Lee,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Lee,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Towns and Counties:

The committee on Towns and Counties, to whom was referred House bill No. 208, entitled

A bill regulating the care of poor persons within St. Clair county;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

T. M. Camburn,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Michigan School for the Blind:

The committee on Michigan School for the Blind, to whom was referred House bill No. 267, entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the Michigan School for the Blind for the years 1897 and 1898;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Samuel C. Goodyear,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

By the committee on Agriculture:

The committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred House bill No. 155, entitled

A bill to prohibit and prevent adulteration, fraud and deception in the manufacture and sale of buckwheat flour;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House with amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

L. E. Belknap,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. L. E. Belknap,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Agriculture:

The committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred House bill No. 130, entitled

A bill to repeal "An act to ascertain the annual cereal products of the State of Michigan," approved February 14, 1859, as amended by act No. 24, session laws of 1879, and by act No. 21 of the public acts of 1887;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

L. E. Belknap,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. L. D. Dickinson,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Fleischhauer	Mr. Pearson
Allison	Foster	Perry
Alward	Gibson	Peters
Anderson	Goodell	Petrowsky
Babcock, C. G.	Goodyear	Phillips, C. C.
Babcock, H.	Graham	Phillips, M. F.
Belknap	Green	Putney
Billings	Gustin	Reed
Bricker	Hammond	Rulison
Bryan	Harris	Savage
Buskirk	Herrig	Sawyer
Cahoon	Hofmeister	Scully
Caldwell	Jackson	Shepard, F. M.
Camburn	January	Shisler
Campbell	Kerr	Smith
Clark	Lusk	Stewart
Clute	Madill	Tefft
Coad	Marsilje	Van Camp
Colvin	Mayer	Vought
Connors	Miller	Washer
Cousins	Molster	Weier
Davis	Moore, E. W.	Wetherbee
Dickinson, J. H.	Moore, M. G.	Whitney
Dickinson, L. D.	Niedermeier	Williams
Dudley	Oberdorffer	Wing
Edgar	O'Dett	Zimmerman
Elkhoff	Otis	Speaker

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. L. D. Dickinson,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

By the committee on Judiciary:

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 18, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 30 of act No. 264 of the session laws of 1861, entitled "An act to authorize proceedings by garnishment in the circuit courts and the district court of the upper peninsula," approved March 16, 1861, as subsequently amended, the same being Sec. 8086 of Howell's annotated statutes;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House with amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and

that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. J. Sawyer,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Sawyer,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Judiciary:

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 19, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 25 of act No. 137 of the laws of 1849, as amended, relative to authorizing proceedings against garnishees and for other purposes as amended, being Sec. 8055 of Howell's annotated statutes, as amended by act 178 of the session laws of 1891;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House with amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. J. Sawyer,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Sawyer,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Judiciary:

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 18, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 30 of act No. 264 of the session laws of 1861, entitled "An act to authorize proceedings by garnishment in the circuit courts and the district court of the upper peninsula," approved March 16, 1861, as subsequently amended, the same being Sec. 8086 of Howell's annotated statutes;

Also,

House bill No. 19, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 25 of act 137 of the laws of 1849, as amended, relative to authorizing proceedings against garnishees and for other purposes, as amended, being Sec. 8055 of Howell's annotated statutes, as amended by act 178 of the session laws of 1891;

Respectfully report that the sub-committee, to whom was referred the questions:

First, As to whether or not the bills were contrary to public policy; and,

Second, Whether or not such laws were constitutional;

Made a report which is hereto attached, and the committee recommend that said report be spread upon the Journal.

A. J. Sawyer,
Chairman.

The following is the report of the sub-committee:

Your sub-committee, to whom was referred the question of whether garnishment proceedings against municipalities are against public policy, report as follows:

We find that the states of Pennsylvania, New York and Indiana have held that such proceedings were against public policy.

The following states exempt by statute the liability of municipal corporations: Iowa, Missouri, Georgia, Michigan and others.

The state of Colorado by statute holds municipal corporations liable.

In Ohio, New Hampshire, Connecticut and Massachusetts the statutes are liberally construed so that municipalities are not exempt and are, therefore, held liable in such cases.

15 Ohio St. 462.
5 N. H. 113.
45 N. H. 168.
20 Conn. 416.

There seems to be a distinction, however, between salaries due officials of municipalities and express contracts entered into by the municipality. In the former case it has been held in Massachusetts that garnishment proceedings will not lie, whereas, in cases where the municipality had entered into contract relations independent of salary, garnishment proceedings would lie against a municipality.

112 Mass. 380.
129 Mass. 577-9.

In Kentucky it has been held that a state is not subject to garnishment proceedings, but that a municipality is.

Citing 7 Mon. 439.

In Rhode Island the law seems to be that municipalities are liable.

10 R. I. 285, in which the city of
Providence was held liable.

From the foregoing it would appear that a majority of states hold that it is not against public policy to hold municipalities liable in cases of garnishment, and we therefore so report on the question assigned to us.

H. M. Zimmerman.
Charles W. McGill.
Frank Shepherd.

To the chairman of the sub-committee:

On the question as to whether the legislature has power to make municipalities liable as garnishee defendants, the following opinions of

text book writers are submitted. I have been unable to find that it is held by any writer that such a measure is beyond legislative authority:

Rood on Garnishment, Sec. 19: It has been held upon grounds of public policy that municipal corporations such as townships, counties, cities, school districts, school boards and the like are not subject to garnishment process unless expressly included in the terms of the statute; and almost as frequently it has been decided that they are so liable though not included, etc. In support of this concluding clause of the above proposition the author cites cases reported from the supreme courts of Kentucky, Ohio, Iowa, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Texas, Colorado; but where it is held that only money on contract can be reached by garnishment, it is held that fees due a juror, and the like, cannot be reached by garnishing the county, for in such case there is no privity of contract.

Williams v. Boardman, 9 Allen, Mass. 570.

Walker v. Cook, 129 Mass. 577.

Waple on attachment and garnishment, Sec. 442: * * * The general rule is that public corporations are not garnishable, though the statute should expressly authorize the process against all persons and corporations. The opinion prevails that municipal corporations must be expressly mentioned if they are to be made garnishable by statute. But it is held that a city may waive its privilege.

Waple offers a wise suggestion (Sec. 431): That public accounting officers should not be obliged by the garnishment law to liquidate accounts out of due time and thus derange business. That the answer of such accounting officer that the demand of the principal defendant is unliquidated, should be final and not subject to traverse.

Wade on attachment, Vol. 2, Sec. 345: "That this question (garnishment of municipalities) may be controlled by legislation, either giving or withholding the right to garnish towns, cities, and other suable public corporations, there can be no doubt."

Drake on attachment, Sec. 516, gives a brief digest of the decisions of different states, some favoring and others opposing the proposition that minor municipalities may be garnished, but none of them going so far as to say that they may not be made by statute liable as garnishees. Further on (Sec. 516b), Drake says: "Though a municipal corporation be, by express law, exempt from garnishment, it may waive the exemption and submit itself to liability as garnishee."

Clapp v. Davis, 25 Iowa 315.

F. Shepherd.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

By the committee on Judiciary:

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 106, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 182 of the public acts of 1893, approved May 31, 1893, entitled "An act to amend Sec. 14 of act No. 146 of the laws of Michigan for the year 1857, entitled 'An act to provide for the organization of the supreme court pursuant to Sec. 2 of Art. 6 of the con-

stitution, approved February 16, 1857, as amended, relative to salaries of justices of the supreme court, and requiring them to reside, during their terms of office, in the city of Lansing,' being compiler's Sec. 6393 of third Howell's annotated statutes of the State of Michigan;"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment, and recommend that it do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. J. Sawyer,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. E. W. Moore,

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Judiciary:

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred

Senate joint resolution No. 3 (file No. 2), entitled

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to Sec. 1, Art. 9, of the constitution of this State, relative to the salary of the Attorney General;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. J. Sawyer,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Judiciary:

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 248, entitled

A bill authorizing the incorporation of homes for aged, infirm or indigent men or women;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. J. Sawyer,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Clute,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 9, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the report of the Conference committee appointed to consider the matters of difference between the two Houses in regard to the distribution of the legislative Journals, which report was this day submitted to the Senate, and is as follows:

The special Conference committee of the Senate and House to whom was referred the Senate concurrent resolution, the House substitute therefor and the Senate amendments to the House substitute relative to the distribution of the legislative Journal and the matters of difference between the two houses in regard thereto, beg leave to report that they have had the same under consideration, and recommend the adoption of the following substitute for the original Senate resolution and House substitute therefor:

Resolved by the Senate (the House concurring), That the contractor to be employed by the Judiciary committees of the House and Senate be instructed to forward one copy of the daily Journal to each daily and weekly newspaper published within the State, and to each State officer, each institution, supreme and circuit judge, county clerk, prosecuting attorney, each public library, superior and recorder's court in the State, each county school commissioner and superintendent of each union or high school in the State and to not to exceed twenty-five citizens of each senatorial district and to ten citizens of each representative, and that the amount of postage on such copies of said Journal be paid by the State Treasurer on the warrant of the Auditor General, on the presentation of bills duly certified by the postmaster at Lansing and by the Secretary of State, showing that such stamps have been purchased and used only for the payment of postage on said copies of said Journal hereby ordered to be distributed.

E. C. Barnum,
Chairman Senate Committee.

A. J. Sawyer,
Acting Chairman House Committee.

And to inform the House that the Senate has refused to adopt said report.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The message was ordered spread on the Journal.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 9, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 7 (file No. 5), entitled

A bill to provide for the purchase of books and equipments for the Michigan State Library and Michigan traveling libraries;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has been ordered to take immediate effect, and in all of which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Library.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 9, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 19 (file No. 3), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of Chap. 224 of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan being compiler's Sec. 5889, relative to notices by commissioners in probate courts of hearing and allowing claims therein;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 9, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 23 (file No. 4), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act 124 of the session laws of 1885, being compiler's Sec. 6747 of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan, relative to sales of land in pursuance of decrees in chancery;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

NOTICES.

Mr. Adams gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to prohibit preferences by insolvent corporations.

Mr. Adams gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 198 of the public acts of 1879, entitled "An act to provide for the regulation and enforcement of assignments for the benefit of creditors," approved May 13, 1879, as amended by act No. 215 of the public acts of 1889, approved June 29, 1879, being Sec. 8739 of third Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan.

Mr. L. D. Dickinson gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 8 of the revised statutes of 1846, as amended by act No. 111 of the public acts of Michigan for the year 1867, relative to the hearing of claims against the estates of deceased persons, by the judge of probate.

Mr. Van Camp gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to establish a normal school in southwestern Michigan and to make an appropriation therefor, to secure, equip and maintain the same.

Mr. Van Camp gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of act No. 348 of the session laws of 1891, entitled "An act to incorporate the city of St. Joseph in Berrien county, and to repeal act 267 of the session laws of 1873, and all acts amendatory thereof."

Mr. Peek gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to prescribe the liability of railroad corporations owning or operating a railroad in this State for damages sustained by its agents or servants by reason of the negligence of any other agent or servant thereof.

Mr. Goodell gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to prohibit the use of any language other than English on menu cards or bills of fare in hotels, cafes and restaurants, and other public eating places.

Mr. Colvin gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of act No. 200 of the public acts of Michigan of 1895.

Mr. Gustin gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A joint resolution to amend Secs. 2, 6, 7, 11, 13, 14, 16 and 20 of Art. 6 of the constitution of the State of Michigan, relative to judicial department.

Mr. Gustin gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to regulate the transportation of freight and express by railroads in Michigan.

Mr. Sawyer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend act No. 3 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of villages within the State of Michigan and defining their powers and duties," approved February 19, 1895, as follows, to-wit: Chapter 3 by adding a new section to stand as Sec. 14; Sec. 6 of Chap. 5; Sec. 11 of Chap. 11; Sec. 8 of Chap. 12.

Mr. Sawyer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the formation of a corporation for the prevention of cruelty to children and animals.

Mr. Sawyer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 22 of act No. 220 of the public acts of 1889, entitled "An act to amend Secs. 21 and 22 of act No. 135 of the public acts of 1885, entitled 'An act to amend, revise and consolidate the laws organizing asylums for insane, and regulating the care and management thereof, and of the inmates therein, and to repeal act No. 164, laws of 1859; also act 194, laws of 1877; also act 91, laws of 1873, and the acts amendatory thereto; also act 172, laws of 1873,'" approved June 3, 1885, being compiler's Sec. 1930c1, third volume Howell's annotated statutes.

Mr. Hammond gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of Chap. 240 of the compiled laws of 1871, as amended by act 286, public acts of 1881, being compiler's Sec. 9053, Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan, entitled "An act relative to fees of justices of the peace in criminal cases."

Mr. Williams gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 32 of act No. 190 of the public acts of 1891, relative to elections in this State.

Mr. Bryan gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to repeal an act, entitled "An act to regulate the manufacture and provide for the inspection of salt."

Mr. Bryan gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to regulate the manufacture and provide for inspection of salt and adding a new section thereto."

Mr. Molster gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the incorporation of Labor Temple Association of Detroit.

Mr. Hofmeister gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the townships of Wisner, Gilford, Akron, Fair Grove, Columbia, Almer, Indian Fields, Elmwood, Ellington, Wells, Dayton, Elkland, Kingston and Koylton, in the county of Tuscola, to permit the laying of a railway track in, along and across, the highways, and the operation of a railway by means of steam, electric or other power, within said townships, or either of them.

Mr. Scully gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to repeal act 164 of the public acts of 1893, entitled "An act to prohibit catching or taking fish in Maple river and tributary streams in any other manner than with hook and line."

Mr. Lee gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to repeal act No. 432 of local acts of 1887.

Mr. Camburn gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to regulate the admission to practice of attorneys, solicitors and counselors, and to repeal conflicting acts.

Mr. Vought gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to change the boundary lines of the several wards of the city of St. Louis in the county of Gratiot, and to amend Sec. No. 2 of act No. 211 of the local acts of 1891, entitled "An act to incorporate the city of St. Louis in the county of Gratiot," approved March 12, 1891.

Mr. Vought gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill relative to detaching a portion of union school district No. 1 of the townships of Pine River and Bethany, Gratiot county, Mich., and attaching the same to school district No. 1 in said township of Pine River.

Mr. Stewart gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act relative to plank roads," approved March 30, 1848.

Mr. Green gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the townships of Grant, Burtchville, Fort Gratiot, Clyde and Port Huron in the county of St. Clair to permit the laying of a railroad track in, along and across the highways and the operation of a railway by means of steam, electric or other motive power, within said townships or either of them.

Mr. Madill gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the townships of Sand Beach, Sigel, Paris, Verona, Bingham, and the villages of Sand Beach and Ubyly, all in the county of Huron, to permit the operation of a railway by means of steam, electric or other power, within said townships, or any of them.

Mr. Davis gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Secs. 8 and 15 of Chap. 9 of act No. 3 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of villages within the State of Michigan, and defining their powers and duties," approved February 9, 1895.

Mr. Graham gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the State Board of Agriculture to hold institutes, and making an appropriation therefor.

Mr. Belknap gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the common council of the village of Caro, in the county of Tuscola, to permit the laying of a railway track in, along and across the streets, highways, alleys and public places, in the village of Caro, and the operation of such road by means of steam, electric or other motive power.

Mr. Billings gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to regulate the payment of fees to coroners at inquests.

Mr. Billings gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of act No. 139 of the public acts of 1889, entitled "An act to protect fish and regulate fishing in the waters of this State by prohibiting the use of seines, pound nets, gill nets, and other fixed or set nets with meshes below certain sizes, and regulating the use of such nets, and to repeal inconsistent acts, being compiler's Sec. No. 2173b of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan."

Mr. Zimmerman gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Secs. 1 and 2 of the local acts of 1895, relative to the care of persons sick with contagious diseases in St. Clair county, entitled "An act to make townships, cities and villages in St. Clair county primarily liable for the payment of all claims incurred in the care of persons sick with contagious diseases, or diseases dangerous to the public health or incurred in preventing the spread of such disease, where said county is now primarily liable for such payment."

Mr. Donovan gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the townships of Hampton, Portsmouth and Merritt, in the county of Bay, to permit the laying of a railway in, along and across the highways and the operation of a railway by means of steam, electricity or other power within said townships or either of them.

Mr. Pearson gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the townships of Lamotte, Marlette, Moore, Elmer, Argyle, Austin, Greenleaf, Evergreen, Custer, Watertown, Bridgehampton, Washington, Buel, Sanilac and Worth, in the county of Sanilac, to permit the laying of a railway track in, along and across the highways, and the operation of a railway by means of steam, electric or other motive power, within said townships, or either of them.

Mr. Smith gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to legalize and give full effect to a conveyance of certain land made by the board of control of the Michigan Mining School to Florence E. Hubbell.

Mr. Gibson gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the township board of the township of Lockport, in the county of St. Joseph, and State of Michigan, to sell to the city of Three Rivers, in said county, all the interest of said township of Lockport in the

library known as the Three Rivers Free Public Library of the township of Lockport or to effect a division of said library between said township and said city by agreement with the city council thereof.

Mr. Gibson gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act to incorporate the city of Three Rivers, etc.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Foote, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 278, entitled

A bill making an appropriation of \$15,000 to the county of Kalamazoo, State of Michigan, to aid said county in removing bars and other obstructions from the Kalamazoo river, and otherwise improving the flow of water therein, through the townships of Cooper, Comstock, Kalamazoo, and the city of Kalamazoo, in said county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Public Health.

Mr. Whitney, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 279, entitled

A bill to provide for the extension, construction and maintenance of the Whitehall road and the Houghton road, through the city of North Muskegon, same being county roads of the county of Muskegon, established by the board of county road commissioners of the county of Muskegon.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Whitney,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill having been read a third time and the question being upon its passage, pending the taking of the vote thereon,

Mr. Gillam moved that the bill be referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges;

Which motion did not prevail.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Foote	Mr. Otis
Allison	Foster	Pearson
Alward	Gillam	Peek
Anderson	Goodell	Perry
Babcock, C. G.	Goodyear	Peters
Babcock, H.	Graham	Petrowsky
Belknap	Green	Phillips, C. C.
Bemis	Gustin	Powers
Billings	Hammond	Putney
Bricker	Harris	Reed

Mr. Bryan	Mr. Hofmeister	Mr. Bulison
Buskirk	Jackson	Scully
Cahoon	January	Shepard, F. M.
Caldwell	Kerr	Shepherd, F.
Camburn	Kimmis	Shisler
Campbell	Lee	Smith
Clark	Lusk	Tefft
Clute	Madill	Van Camp
Coad	Marsilje	Vought
Colvin	Mayer	Washer.
Davis	Miller	Weier
Dickinson, J. H.	Molster	Wetherbee
Dickinson, L. D.	Moore, E. W.	Whitney
Donovan	Moore, M. G.	Williams
Dudley	Niedermeler	Wing
Edgar	Oberdorffer	Zimmerman
Eikhoff	O'Dett	Speaker
Fleischhauer		

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Whitney,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Scully, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 280, entitled

A bill authorizing the probate court to remove clouds upon title of real estate after the decease of the lessee or mortgagee, to whom a life lease, mortgage or other lien has been given.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Molster, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 281, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of act No. 48 of the public acts of 1893, entitled "An act to amend Sec. 2 of act No. 70 of the public acts of 1877, entitled 'An act for the more effectual prevention of cruelty to animals,' approved April 23, 1877, being Sec. 9392 of Howell's annotated statutes."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Lee, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 282, entitled

A bill to provide for the publication and distribution of the laws relative to highways and bridges.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Mr. Lusk, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 283, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 7365 of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Lusk, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 284, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 3 of act No. 115 of the public acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the government, management and control of the State Public School at Coldwater, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Public School.

Mr. F. Shepherd, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 285, entitled

A bill to amend an act, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of slack water navigation companies, for the improvement of rivers in the counties of St. Joseph, Cass, Berrien and Cheboygan, and defining their powers and duties," approved March 25, 1867, and being act No. 411 of the session laws of 1867, as amended by act No. 110 of the session laws of 1871, approved April 13, 1871, by adding thereto two new sections to stand as Secs. 24 and 25.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Washer, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 286, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of an act, entitled "An act to authorize the board of supervisors of Bay county to fix the compensation to be paid to members of committees of said board for committee work done by its order," being act No. 432 of local acts of 1895.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Washer, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 287, entitled

A bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Bay county to fix the compensation to be paid the chairman of said board for services rendered as chairman of said board.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Washer, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 288, entitled

A bill to authorize a change of date of the meeting of the board of supervisors of Bay county as provided for by Sec. 324, page 167, of Howell's annotated statutes of the State of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Peek, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 289, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 8 of act No. 313 of the public acts of 1887, entitled "An act to provide for the taxation and regulation of the business of manufacturing, selling, keeping for sale, furnishing, giving or delivering spirituous and intoxicating liquors, and malt, brewed or fermented liquor and vinous liquors in this State, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Anderson, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 290, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 12 of act No. 306 of the local acts of 1893, entitled "An act relative to justices' courts in the city of Grand Rapids, to reduce the number thereof, and to fix the compensation of such justices, and provide a clerk and offices therefor," approved March 22, 1893, as amended, and to add ten new sections thereto to stand as Secs. 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22 and 23.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Stoneman, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 291, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 1, 3, 4, 5 and 12 of act No. 460 of the local acts of 1895, entitled "An act to establish and provide justices' courts in the city of Detroit and to repeal act No. 280 of the local acts of 1883, 'An act relative to justices' courts in the city of Detroit,' " approved April 25, 1883, and all acts amendatory thereof, and to add one new section thereto, to be known as Sec. 14, so as to provide for the taxation of attorney fees in said courts.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. C. G. Babcock, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 292, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 242 of the local acts of 1885, entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Quincy in Branch county," approved February 16, 1885.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee.

On motion of Mr. C. G. Babcock,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams
Allison
Alward
Anderson

Mr. Edgar
Elkhoff
Fleischhauer
Foote

Mr. Oberdorffer
O'Dett
Otis
Pearson

Mr. Babcock, C. G.	Mr. Gibson	Mr. Perry
Babcock, H.	Gillam	Phillips, C. C.
Belknap	Goodell	Phillips, M. F.
Bemis	Goodyear	Powers
Billings	Graham	Putney
Bryan	Green	Rulison
Buskirk	Gustin	Scully
Cahoon	Hammond	Shepard, F. M.
Caldwell	Harris	Shepherd, F.
Camburn	Herrig	Shisler
Campbell	Hofmeister	Smith
Clark	Jackson	Tefft
Clute	January	Van Camp
Coad	Kerr	Washer
Colvin	Kimmis	Weier
Connors	Lusk	Wetherbee
Consins	Marsilje	Whitney
Dickinson, J. H.	Mayer	Wing
Dickinson, L. D.	Molster	Zimmerman
Donovan	Moore, E. W.	Speaker
Dudley	Niedermeier	

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. C. G. Babcock,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Edgar, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 293, entitled

A bill to revise, amend and consolidate the election laws of this State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Edgar,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Herrig, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 294, entitled

A bill to regulate building and loan associations.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Herrig, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 295, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 33 of act No. 269 of the public acts of 1895.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Lusk, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House joint resolution No. 14, entitled

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to Sec. 1 of Art. 15 of the constitution of the State of Michigan and to strike out and repeal Secs. 13 and 14 of said article 15, relative to the formation of corporations.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 121 (file No. 19), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 6 of act 187 of the session laws of 1887, approved June 17, 1887, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of co-operative and mutual benefit associations, and to define the powers and duties and regulate the transaction of the business of all such corporations and associations doing business within this State," and to add two new sections thereto to stand as Secs. 32 and 33;

Pending the third reading of the bill,

On motion of Mr. Edgar,

The bill was laid on the table.

House bill No. 13 (file No. 1), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 38 of act No. 44 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to prescribe the manner of conducting and to prevent fraud and deception at elections in this State;"

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Gibson	Mr. Perry
Alward	Gillam	Peters
Anderson	Goodell	Petrowsky
Babcock, C. G.	Goodyear	Phillips, C. C.
Babcock, H.	Graham	Phillips, M. F.
Belknap	Green	Powers
Bemis	Gustin	Putney
Billings	Hammond	Reed
Bryan	Harris	Rulison
Buskirk	Herrig	Savage
Cahoon	Jackson	Sawyer
Caldwell	Kerr	Scully
Camburn	Kimmis	Shepard, F. M.
Campbell	Lee	Shepherd, F.
Clark	Lusk	Shisler
Clute	Madill	Smith
Ooad	Marsilje	Tefft
Colvin	Miller	Van Camp
Connors	Molster	Vought
Cousins	Moore, E. W.	Washer.
Dickinson, L. D.	Moore, M. G.	Weier
Donovan	Niedermeier	Wetherbee
Dudley	Oberdorffer	Whitney
Edgar	O'Dett	Williams
Eikhoff	Otis	Wing
Fleischhauer	Pearson	Zimmerman
Foote	Peek	Speaker

NAYS.

Title agreed to.

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Mr. Sawyer gave notice that within the time limited therefor, he will move a reconsideration of the vote by which the House passed the bill.

House bill No. 22 (file No. 6), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 3 of an act entitled "An act to provide for the payment of a franchise fee by corporations," being act No. 182 of the public acts of Michigan for 1891, as amended by acts No. 79 of the public acts of 1893 and No. 91 of the public acts of 1895;

Was read a third time, and pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Lee moved that the bill be amended by adding at the end of Sec. 3 the words "and credited to the primary school fund;"

Pending which,

Mr. Gustin moved, as a substitute for the motion to amend, that the following words be added after the word "treasury" in line 2 of Sec. 3: "and shall be applied in paying the interest upon the primary school, university and other educational funds, and the interest and principal of the State debt, in the order herein recited, until the extinguishment of the State debt other than the amounts due to educational funds, when such specific taxes shall be added to and constitute a part of the primary school interest fund, as provided in Sec. 1 of Art. 14 of the constitution of Michigan;"

Which was accepted.

The motion then being on amending the bill,

The motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Goodyear	Mr. Perry
Allison	Graham	Peters
Alward	Green	Phillips, C. C.
Anderson	Gustin	Phillips, M. F.
Babcock, C. G.	Hammond	Powers
Bemis	Harris	Putney
Billings	Herrig	Reed
Bricker	Hofmeister	Rulison
Bryan	Jackson	Sawyer
Buskirk	Kerr	Scully
Cahoon	Kimmis	Shepard, F. M.
Caldwell	Lee	Shepherd, F.
Camburn	Lusk	Shisler
Campbell	Madill	Smith
Clark	Marsilje	Stoneman
Clute	Mayer	Tefft
Coad	Miller	Van Camp
Cousins	Molster	Vought
Dickinson, J. H.	Moore, E. W.	Washer.
Dickinson, L. D.	Moore, M. G.	Weier
Dudley	Niedermeier	Wetherbee
Edgar	Oberdorffer	Whitney

Mr. Eikhoff
Fleischhauer
Gibson
Goodell

Mr. O'Dett
Otis
Pearson
Peek

Mr. Williams
Wing
Zimmerman
Speaker

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NAYS.

Title agreed to.

House bill No. 27 (file No. 20), entitled

A bill to provide for the registration of deaths in Michigan and requiring certificates of death;

Was read a third time and was not passed, a majority of all the members elect not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Alward
Anderson
Atkinson
Bemis
Bryan
Caldwell
Campbell
Clark
Colvin
Connors
Davis
Dickinson, J. H.
Dickinson, L. D.
Donovan

Mr. Dudley
Edgar
Foote
Gibson
Goodyear
Green
Gustin
Hammond
Herrig
Kimmis
Lusk
Molster
Moore, E. W.
Moore, M. G.

Mr. Oberdorffer
Pearson
Peek
Peters
Phillips, C. C.
Savage
Shepherd, F.
Smith
Stewart
Stoneman
Van Camp
Williams
Zimmerman
Speaker

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NAYS.

Mr. Allison
Babcock, C. G.
Babcock, H.
Billings
Bricker
Buskirk
Cahoon
Camburn
Clute
Coad
Cousins
Eikhoff
Fleischhauer
Goodell
Graham

Mr. Harris
Hofmeister
Jackson
Lee
Madill
Marsilje
Mayer
Miller
Niedermeyer
O'Dett
Otis
Perry
Phillips, M. F.
Powers

Mr. Putney
Reed
Rullison
Sawyer
Scully
Shepard, F. M.
Shisler
Tefft
Vought
Washer.
Weler
Wetherbee
Whitney
Wing

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Mr. Wetherbee moved to reconsider the vote by which the House refused to pass the bill,

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

On motion of Mr. Davis,
The bill was laid on the table.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Adams moved to take from the table

House joint resolution No. 6, entitled

A joint resolution to authorize and instruct the Board of State Auditors to examine into, and if they deem it justifiable, to allow the claim of Alphonzo Button for injuries sustained by him from a premature discharge of a cannon while engaged in the regular performance of his duty as a member of the gun squad of the Curtenius Guard (an organized volunteer uniformed militia company, organized under the laws of the State of Michigan), at Mason, Michigan, on the 3d day of July, 1858;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Adams,

The bill was referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Gustin offered the following:

Resolved, When the House do adjourn for the day, we adjourn until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning;

Which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Lusk,

Leave of absence was granted to committee on University until Saturday next.

Mr. Savage, by unanimous consent, presented the following:

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan:

Your petitioner, Wm. R. Kendrick, respectfully represents that he is a citizen of the United States and a qualified elector of the county of Saginaw, State of Michigan, which said county constitutes the 10th judicial circuit of the said State of Michigan.

Your petitioner further represents that at the election held in said circuit, November 3, A. D. 1896, there were only two candidates upon the ballots to be voted for the office of circuit judge to fill vacancy, and that your petitioner was the candidate on the Republican ticket and Byron A. Snow was the candidate on the Democratic-People's-Union-Silver ticket.

Your petitioner further represents that the county board of canvassers of said Saginaw county canvassed the votes of said judicial circuit and certified the same to the State Board of Canvassers as they were counted and returned by the several election boards of the voting precincts of said circuit, and that by the canvass as made and returned by said county board of canvassers, it appears that said Byron A. Snow received a majority of the votes cast for the said office of circuit judge to fill vacancy in said circuit, and he was therefore declared elected to said office, and the said State Board of Canvassers caused to be issued to him a certificate of election, but your petitioner believes that said Byron A. Snow was not legally elected to said office, but that your petitioner was, and that he therefore desires to contest the final determination of said State Board of Canvassers in the premises, and avers that your petitioner will, if the votes lawfully cast in said circuit which are legally marked so as to express the voter's choice in the manner provided by law and legally

counted, be shown to have been elected to said office and entitled to a certificate of election, and that the said election of the said Byron A. Snow, or his apparent election, results in the fraudulent and illegal manner of conducting the election and of counting the ballots, and in permitting persons who are not electors to vote in the several townships and wards and voting precincts in said circuit hereinafter named.

Your petitioner therefore charges, upon information and belief, that in the conduct of the election in many of the voting precincts in said circuit there was gross fraud and illegality and a wilful disregard of the mandatory and directory laws enacted for governing elections and the conduct of the board of election inspectors, and that many votes were cast by persons who are not electors and by others who were not registered, and that many votes were counted for said Byron A. Snow wrongfully and illegally, and that many votes legally cast for your petitioner were not counted for him by said several boards of election inspectors, and that such fraud, illegality, and error in the conduct of said election and in permitting persons who are not electors, and who are not registered, occurred in the townships, wards, and polling precincts in said district hereinafter named, that is to say:

In the townships of Birch Run, Buena Vista, Brant, Chapin, Carrollton, Frankenmuth, Fremont, James, Jonesfield, Kochville, Lakefield, Richland, Saginaw, Spaulding, Thomastown and Taymouth, and also in the wards of the city of Saginaw to wit: in the first ward, the fourth ward, the eleventh ward, the fourteenth ward and the fifteenth ward.

Your petitioner charges upon information and belief that in each of said townships, wards, and voting precincts, many persons who voted at said election were assisted in the marking of their tickets by the members of the board of election inspectors and by other persons without said voters being first sworn that they could not read English or that because of physical disability they were unable to mark their tickets themselves, said voters being persons whose disability, if any existed, was not manifest to said election inspectors. And that in said several townships, wards and voting precincts, persons adverse to the interest and election of your petitioner were allowed to be and remain inside of the railing erected in said polling place during the greater portion of the day and to converse with the voters and influence them after they had secured their ballots and before the same were deposited in the ballot boxes, and that in each of the said several townships, wards and voting precincts some of the members of the said boards of election inspectors instructed and permitted others to instruct a large number of voters how to mark their tickets without such assistance or instruction having been first requested by such voters, and that in many instances said members of said election board and other persons went into the booths with the electors and wrongfully and illegally influenced them in selecting their tickets and the persons for whom they voted, and that in consequence thereof, a large number of voters in said several townships, wards and polling precincts exposed their tickets to the view of others after they were marked, in violation of law.

Your petitioner further represents that in said township of Birch Run in addition to the other irregularities and illegal practices hereinbefore mentioned, that the said election board of said township neglected to

prepare any ballot box within which to deposit the ballots when the ballots were received after being marked by the voters, instead of being placed by said election board in a proper and legally prepared ballot box having a lock and key, and which could be securely closed and sealed, they were placed by said board in a common box which had been prepared and used for the shipment of bird-seed, and which had neither lock nor key, and the bottom and top to which were insecurely fastened on with small wire nails, and in no other manner, and said election board with respect thereto acted in entire disregard of the safeguards provided by law securing the ballots cast by the electors of said township.

Your petitioner further represents that in each of said several townships, wards, and voting precincts, persons who were not members of said board of election inspectors were permitted to assist in the counting of the ballots and that instead of each member of said boards counting and inspecting all of the tickets, they individually and severally counted and inspected only a part and parcel of the ballots cast, and in that way acted without check upon each other's inspection and count and by reason thereof made many mistakes and omissions and counted many votes for said Snow when the voter's choice was not expressed by marking his ticket in the manner the law provides and requires.

Your petitioner further represents that in addition to the illegal conduct and irregularities hereinbefore referred to respecting the election held in the township of Frankenmuth that said election was held in their township hall which was partitioned off by solid walls into three rooms and that the larger room was divided by a railing extending from one side to the other; that within said larger room, but within the railing and about two and one-half feet therefrom were the booths which were constructed with doors on each side thereof, one opening towards the railing and one on the opposite side; that the board of election inspectors and the ballot boxes were in one of said other rooms and the ballots were handed out through a small window about two feet in diameter and when marked were again returned through said window and the ballots if deposited in the ballot box, were not so deposited in the presence of the voters. And when said board of election inspectors counted and canvassed the ballots at the close of said election, said window was closed and the public entirely excluded from the presence of said board during the time of such counting and canvassing of said ballots. And that during the entire day there was posted up upon the walls within the polling place a large placard with instructions thereon to the voters to vote the silver ticket. Your petitioner further represents that a like placard was posted up within and on the polling place in said several other townships, wards, and voting precincts.

Your petitioner further represents that in several of said townships, wards and voting precincts the gate keeper appointed by said board to attend the gates in the railing erected through said polling places, in violation of law conversed with the voters as they passed in through said gates and urged them to vote said Democratic-People's-Union-Silver ticket.

Your petitioner further represents that in several of said townships, wards and voting precincts, and particularly in the township of Brant, the inspector of election designated by said board of election inspectors

to distribute the tickets to the voters, several times during the day and while said polls were open and for a considerable period of time gave the ballots to the challenger of the Democratic-People's-Union-Silver party and absented himself from said polling place and said challenger was permitted by said boards of election inspectors to distribute the ballots to the voters.

Your petitioner further represents that in many of said townships, wards and voting precincts, and in each of them, a large number of persons were illegally registered upon the registration day next before said election who were permitted to vote in said several townships, wards and voting precincts at said election, and whose illegal registration was known to said election boards and a large number of persons upon said registration day were registered by proxy and from places of residences named by them which do not exist in fact, and such persons were also permitted to vote.

Your petitioner further represents that many persons were permitted to register in several townships, wards and voting precincts upon said election day and to vote at said election without having been first sworn as the law provides they should be. Your petitioner further represents that in said several polling places in the townships, wards and voting precincts hereinbefore mentioned and in close proximity to the booths therein many persons were permitted to discuss and advocate openly and urge the voters there present to vote said Democratic-People's-Union-Silver ticket during the greater portion of said election day.

Your petitioner further represents that in the several townships, wards and voting precincts of said district many tickets were counted for the Democratic-People's-Union-Silver party, and consequently for said Byron A. Snow, which bore distinguishing marks, which should not have been counted for any candidate.

Your petitioner respectfully shows that according to the provisions of Sec. 5, Art. VIII, of the constitution of the State of Michigan, in consideration of the premises belonging and by right ought to be exercised by the legislature in joint convention, and therefore your petitioner being remedyless, except before your honorable body, therefore, in consideration of the premises, prays that an investigation of said matters be had and the correctness of said final determination of the said State Board of Canvassers be determined as to your honorable body may seem proper and just under the constitution and laws of this State, and that your petitioner may be declared elected circuit judge to fill vacancy of the said 10th judicial circuit for the term expiring January 1, 1900, and your petitioner will ever pray.

Wm. R. Kendrick.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, }
County of Ingham, } ss.

On this 10th day of February, A. D. 1897, before me personally appeared the above named petitioner, Wm. R. Kendrick, and made oath that he has read the foregoing petition by him subscribed, and that he knows the contents thereof, and that the same is true of his own knowl-

edge, except as to the matters therein stated to be on his information and belief, and as to those matters he believes to be true.

Wm. R. Kendrick.

Lewis M. Miller,

Notary Public in and for Ingham county, Mich.

The Speaker announced that as the petition could only be considered by a joint convention of the two houses, the petition would be referred to a joint convention when duly convened for that purpose.

The Speaker by unanimous consent announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 10, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following concurrent resolution:

WHEREAS, William R. Kendrick, of the county of Saginaw, State of Michigan, has presented a petition to the legislature, desiring to contest the final determination of the Board of State Canvassers in declaring Byron R. Snow legally elected to the office of judge of the 10th judicial circuit; therefor,

Resolved by the Senate (the House concurring), That the two Houses meet in joint convention on the 11th day of February, at 8 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of considering said petition;

Which has been adopted by the Senate, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The question being on concurring in the adoption of the resolution,
The resolution was adopted.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Graham,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order, whereupon

The Speaker called Mr. Smith to the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following:

House bill No. 116 (file No. 22), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 6 of Chap. 339, being Sec. 9639 of Howell's annotated statutes, relative to "County jails and the regulation thereof;"

And have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that it be referred to the committee on Judiciary.

C. Smith,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Donovan,

The House concurred in the recommendation of the committee relative to the bill and it was referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Lusk offered the following:

Resolved, That the Sergeant-at-Arms be and is hereby directed to enforce order and quiet in the lobby in the rear of the House and surrounding aisles, and to compel all persons who desire to carry on conversation to retire to the cloak room,

Which was adopted.

The speaker announced the following as the special committee to visit the Detroit House of Correction: Messrs. Wetherbee, Mayer, Bates, Peek, Peters, Bemis, Coad.

Mr. Graham moved that the House adjourn,

Which motion prevailed, and

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until 10 o'clock a. m., tomorrow.

Lansing, Thursday, February 11, 1897.

The House met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Miller.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. Edgar, Goodyear, Gustin and Kelly.

On motion of Mr. Goodell,

Leave of absence was granted to himself for tomorrow.

On motion of Mr. Hammond,

Leave of absence was granted to himself for tomorrow.

On motion of Mr. Foster,

Leave of absence was granted to himself for tomorrow.

On motion of Mr. Clark,

Leave of absence was granted to himself for tomorrow.

On motion of Mr. Bates,

Leave of absence was granted to himself for tomorrow.

On motion of Mr. Phillips,

Leave of absence was granted to himself for tomorrow.

On motion of Mr. Wing,

Leave of absence was granted to himself for tomorrow.

On motion of Mr. Buskirk,

Leave of absence was granted to himself for tomorrow.

On motion of Mr. Buskirk,

Leave of absence was granted to committee on Northern Asylum for insane for tomorrow.

On motion of Mr. Whitney,

Leave of absence was granted to himself for tomorrow.

On motion of Mr. Graham,
Leave of absence was granted to himself for tomorrow.

On motion of Mr. Williams,
Leave of absence was granted to himself for tomorrow.

Mr. Rulison, by unanimous consent, offered the following:

Resolved, That a vote of thanks be tendered the clergymen of the city of Lansing for their kindness and courtesy in opening the sessions of the House thus far without any formal invitation, and that the clerk of the House be instructed to extend to them a hearty invitation to continue during the balance of this session to perform similar services;

Which was adopted.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 109. By Mr. Oberdorffer: Petition of Magnus Nelson and 252 other farmers of Menominee county in regard to establishing an agricultural experiment station in the upper peninsula.

On demand of Mr. Oberdorffer,

The petition was read at length and spread at large on the Journal, as follows:

To the Honorable Legislature of the State of Michigan:

We, the undersigned, people of the northern peninsula of Michigan, being interested in agricultural and horticultural pursuits, realizing that our climate is different from that of the southern peninsula, and knowing that there are large numbers of inhabitants of the northern peninsula now engaged in agricultural and horticultural pursuits, and seeing the country about us rapidly developing into an agricultural and horticultural community, do respectfully petition your honorable body to establish an agricultural and horticultural experiment station in the northern peninsula of Michigan.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 110. By Mr. ———: Petition of Ladies' Library Association of Schoolcraft, Kalamazoo county, against the passage of House bill No. 73, relative to disorderly persons.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 111. By Mr. Jackson: Resolutions of Union Farmers' Club of Clinton county relative to salaries of county officers.

On demand of Mr. Jackson,

The petition was read at length and spread at large on the Journal, as follows:

To the Honorable Body, the Legislature of the State of Michigan:

We, the members of the Union Farmers' Club of Clinton county, now assembled at our regular February meeting, believing that the fee system for remunerating our county officials to be unjust and imprudent, have passed the following resolutions:

Resolved, That we, the members of the Union Farmers' Club of the county of Clinton, State of Michigan, unanimously endorse the so-called Kimmis County Salary Bill, relative to the salaries of county officials, now before the Legislature of the State of Michigan; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these proceedings be placed in the hands of our Representative, the Honorable C. E. Jackson, for the purpose of getting it before the State Legislature.

E. L. Bird,
President.
Wm. Bird,
Secretary.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 112. By Mr. Otis: Petition of H. Carter and 29 others against changing the game laws fixing the open season for deer earlier than November 1 of each year.

Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

No. 113. By Mr. Anderson: Resolution of common council of the city of Grand Rapids in favor of the passage of House bill No. 238.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 114. By Mr. Anderson: Petition of Coopers' Union in favor of the passage of House bill No. 238.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 115. By Mr. Bates: Petition of the Columbian Club of Flint, against the passage of House bill No. 73.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 116. By Mr. Niedermeier: Petition of 153 voters of Monroe county for changes in the drain law.

Referred to committee on Drainage.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on Fisheries and Game:

On the 22d of January your committee on Fisheries obtained leave of absence and made a visitation of the various fish hatching stations, under the charge of the State Board of Fish Commissioners, and of the office and books of the Board.

We first visited Detroit, where the business office of the Board is located, and where its largest hatching station is maintained. This hatchery is devoted entirely to the artificial propagation of commercial fish, embracing the whitefish and the pike perch, or wall-eyed pike of commerce.

The active operations at this station begin with the latter part of October of each year with the gathering of the ova of the whitefish, which, after impregnation, are sent to the hatchery, put into automatic jars and kept in constant circulation in water taken directly from the city mains until the hatching time arrives in the last days of March or the first part of April. When the eggs are hatched the young fish are in due time taken and distributed on the natural spawning beds of the whitefish in the waters of the great lakes within the State jurisdiction, convenient to all points that can be reached by rail. More than 150,000,000 of whitefish ova are taken at this station every year, and from there a certain proportion is sent later in the season to Sault Ste. Marie and Charlevoix, to be there finally hatched out and distributed in waters of the great lakes adjacent to those stations.

The Detroit station is made to serve a double purpose, and two crops of fish are hatched each year of the commercial varieties. Immediately following the planting of the whitefish, operations are begun for the taking of the pike perch, and from 25,000,000 to 30,000,000 of this variety are hatched each year and distributed to both the inland lakes and great lakes of the State. The whitefish being a fall spawning fish, and the pike perch a spring spawner, advantage is thus taken of their habits of spawning and both kinds are hatched and distributed from this station without interfering with each other, and thus this hatchery is made to serve a double purpose.

Particular attention was given by your committee to the practical operation of this station, and its results, as claims have been current in the press that the fish thus hatched were prematurely brought into existence. Our investigation showed that there was no foundation for such claims. For a number of years the commission, with its characteristic caution, has had kept daily records of the temperatures of the water at the station and in the Detroit river at the foot of Joseph Campau avenue, and the readings of those temperatures show conclusively that the same temperature is preserved in the hatchery that prevails in the water of the river and lakes where the fish are naturally hatched. Such claim could only have arisen from ignorance, because investigation showed that the water was taken directly from the city mains, the hatchery room itself not being artificially heated, the only fire therein being an open grate fire, which merely serves the purpose of ventilation.

Further investigation by inquiry has developed the fact that this hatchery reflects great credit upon the management and that its efficiency and the magnitude of its output is not exceeded anywhere in this country, and so far as we have been able to determine, is not equalled. It may not be unworthy of mention that the reports of the eminent scientists and fish culturists from the countries of Europe, who take the deepest interest in fisheries, and who were sent to this country during the World's Fair year, show that after visiting all the fish culture stations in this country, the work of the fish commission of Michigan is placed in the very highest rank.

Your committee next visited the station at Glenwood in Cass county, where the culture of carp is conducted. This station is the smallest station of the commission and is conducted at the least expense, only \$500 per annum being required for its maintenance. While the carp has had much discredit cast upon it in this country, we are inclined to believe that it is unjustly deserved. It has its place in fish culture, and while it cannot be ranked in character with our finer food or game fishes, it may be and is ranked with the coarser varieties of fish which enter largely into domestic use, like the shovel nosed pike, the sucker, the red horse, and others of the commoner varieties of fish, it being the superior of either of these varieties as a food fish and bringing a much higher price in the market. We are informed that two years ago an inquiry among the dealers in fish in Detroit showed that there had been marketed and disposed of in that city alone for the year, in the neighborhood of 75 tons. The current weekly reports from the cities of New York, Philadelphia, Washington and other eastern cities, show that an average wholesale price of better than 3 cents per pound is maintained for this fish in those markets and that large quantities are disposed of each year.

We would advise the continuance of this work, and are satisfied from the facts that a large return is made for a small annual investment for their rearing and distribution.

We next visited the site of the proposed new black bass station at Plumb's Creek, in Kent county, just outside the city of Grand Rapids. The board have selected a site for a permanent hatchery at this place, which seems to your committee to be well chosen for the purpose. The land acquired amounts to about six acres, and upon this site the board propose to construct a series of breeding ponds, which, when completed, will, in the course of a year, have a capacity of output of 500,000 black bass each year. The board some three years ago established an experimental station for the culture of black bass at Cascade Springs in Kent county, for the purpose of determining whether this work could be successfully carried on. The actual outlay of money at this experimental station has been very slight, but the experience of the board there shows that it is entirely practicable to rear and distribute these fish through the inland lakes of this State, which have, in many locations, been over-fished to the extent that the stock is now at a very low ebb.

There has been and is now a large and increasing demand for these fish all over the lower peninsula. It has increased to that extent that the board is in no situation to make anything like an adequate distribution of this fish until they can complete the contemplated station, and we believe it is an absolute necessity, and that it is advisable to grant the amount that will be asked for this purpose.

Your committee next visited Paris in Mecosta county, where the board has 159 acres of land and complete and partial control of three trout streams. Upon Cheney Creek, which the board controls completely, they have constructed 25 ponds, in which are carried the stock fish, from which the ova is taken each year. These ponds contain between 11,000 and 12,000 adult spawning fish, besides a large number of young fish, which are raised each year to maintain the stock. The lands connected with this station were obtained for the purpose of protecting the sources of the streams and the temperature of the water. If this had not been done, in the gradual development of the country, the streams would have been denuded of their timber, the sources would have been endangered and the temperature would have been raised to an extent that would have made the water undesirable for fish culture work. The land is a good investment for the State, and should occasion arise in the future for any reason necessitating its disposal, more could be realized therefrom than has been expended to acquire it.

Your committee wish to commend the board for the excellent condition in which the buildings and ponds are maintained at this station. The grounds are tastefully kept and the station is a credit to the State, both in its management and the efficiency of its work.

Some small improvements are needed at this place in the way of repairs to buildings, the erection of a larger ice house and meat cutting room for the food of the fish, a boiler and engine for food cutting and heating, and some slight additions to the number of ponds for the purpose of holding stock fish. These all seem necessary to your committee, and we would advise the allowance of the amount needed.

We next visited the hatchery at Sault Ste. Marie. By reason of the favorable local conditions at this point, this hatchery affords facilities

that no other hatchery enjoys in this country. The waters of Lake Superior and of the Sault river abound with the whitefish and the brook trout. Both of these species are natural to that lake and stream, and the temperature of the water is such that the operation of hatching both varieties can be carried on at the same time and in the same water. The commission here has established and has in operation a fine hatchery, with a capacity of about 30,000,000 of whitefish, from 4,000,000 to 5,000,000 of lake trout, and from 2,000,000 to 3,000,000 of brook trout. The building is situated on an island belonging to the United States government and is in the verge of the rapids. A lease has been granted to the commission of this island free of compensation and including a large area immediately below the building, which can be used for the construction of ponds. Since the last session of the legislature, and with the money allowed at that time, the commission have equipped this hatchery and have constructed upon the grounds three ponds for stock fish. The water is furnished free by the city of Sault Ste. Marie, which also donated a motor and pump, and the pumping is done by electric power as the motive force. There has also been constructed an electric railway of about five or six hundred feet in length, extending from the hatchery to the railway spur, whereby the cans of fish to be transported are conveyed from the hatchery to the car on the spur. The ties and rails were donated by private parties, who had contracts in connection with the construction of the new lock, after the necessity for their use had terminated, and the only outlay required was the construction of the car and the work involved in laying the track.

We desire to call attention to the fact that there is now near by the hatchery building a considerable amount of earth, excavated during the construction of the new lock, which the commission will be able to secure free of cost from the canal authorities for the construction of new ponds that are needed and must be built within the next two years, in order to give this hatchery an opportunity to make the desired output of fish. This earth will be available during the next summer, but in all probability unless it is then used for this purpose, it will be removed by the government and used in the grading of grounds to the extent of their needs, and the remainder will be carted away and disposed of as best it can be, as the government intends to immediately begin with the opening of spring the grading and completion of its grounds. In the opinion of your committee, unless advantage is taken of this opportunity, when the work comes to be done in the future in connection with the construction of the ponds, the earth to be used therein will have to be brought a long distance upon scows at a large expense, and will have to be carried more than twice as far after being delivered at the nearest point, than it can now be obtained. It would therefore seem to be economy for the legislature to grant the amount of money necessary to do this work at the present time.

When this station is finally completed and the grounds are graded and sodded, by reason of its situation, it will practically become a part of the government park and reserve surrounding the locks and will be a station of which the State may well be proud, not only because of its beauty, but because of its efficiency as a practical work.

At Charlevoix we found the commission was occupying a rented building as a relief station in the conduct of the whitefish work. This station

is only run for about three months out of the year and is managed by men detailed from other stations for that purpose. The city of Charlevoix furnishes free water to the commission for use at this station. This hatchery is situated convenient to the spawning grounds of the whitefish and easy access is had to them from this point, and the establishment of the relief station here has been of practical value in the conduct of the work.

Your committee were met at St. Ignace by a volunteer delegation of five commercial fishermen, who had heard of our trip and came to interview us upon the necessities of the fisheries. These men were practical fishermen who had been engaged in the work for more than twenty years. We had no knowledge that these men were to interview us, neither had the commission, and we therefore felt that the information thus derived from them was of the greatest value. We were also able to interview several of the commercial fishermen at the Sault upon the same subject.

It was admitted by all of these gentlemen that the hatching and planting of whitefish had been of great practical benefit, and they acknowledged that they had caught the planted fish. It developed that the main object of the delegation at St. Ignace in meeting your committee was to enforce upon it the necessity of some strong legislation at this session in the interest of the commercial fisheries if they were to be preserved. They exhibited to your committee samples of the meshes of nets now being fished and advised that the only safety for the fisheries was in the enlargement of the nets to permit the escape of the smaller fish and an enforcement of a close season during the spawning period. From our observation and conferences with those who are interested in the commercial fisheries, and those who are also interested in the stocking of our inland waters, we are satisfied that there is manifest now a deeper interest in legislation that shall protect the fish than has ever been before known. Notwithstanding the statements that have appeared in the public press by interested parties, claiming that the hatching and planting of whitefish is a failure, your committee is entirely satisfied from its interviews with the commercial fishermen themselves that the planting has been a success, and that the only thing needed to secure good results is a reasonable protection of the fish after they are planted, and we recommend that such legislation be passed.

Your committee would also recommend that a reasonable license fee be imposed upon the nets and boats of the commercial fishermen who are enjoying the benefit of the public fisheries, and that the revenue thus derived shall be devoted to the support of the work of the commission. In our opinion, the enforcement of the laws protecting commercial fisheries should be placed in the hands of the Board of Fish Commissioners, as it is closely related to their present work of planting, and is a matter in which they are most deeply concerned as to its success. We would suggest that it might be well to make a discrimination in amount of license fee, which shall be paid by residents of the State and by non-residents fishing in Michigan waters, and we believe that each of these parties should contribute to the success of this work. Canada has a license fee on all nets fished in its waters, and many of our American fishermen are carrying on the business of commercial fishing there and paying the license fee imposed by Canadian laws.

Your committee have taken pains to inquire into the relative costs of sustaining the work of the Michigan State Fish Commission and that of other commissions engaged in kindred work. A comparison with New York and Wisconsin, both of which states are largely engaged in fish culture, and of the amounts appropriated for that purpose by those states, warrants us in saying that the work of our own Board of Fish Commissioners is conducted on a smaller amount of money and with a greater output of hatched fish than in any other state. We feel justified in saying that such a comparison, when made, reflects the greatest credit upon the State Board of Fish Commissioners from the standpoint of economy and efficiency.

We have looked into the management of the business part of the board's work, and into its methods of bookkeeping, and the character of its other public records. The examination has convinced us that the work is thoroughly done and complete records are kept, both as to expenditures and as to the practical operations.

It is apparent that the commission is being called upon for fish for our inland lakes and streams to an extent far beyond their present capacity to satisfy. We believe that it is only a question of a short time when the present plants will have to be considerably enlarged to supply this demand, and it is safe to say that such reasonable expenditure as may be needed to meet this demand will meet with favor by the people, who are asking for it themselves.

From the inquiries we have made, we believe that the amount appropriated last year for the current expenses of the board was insufficient, and that the amount should be somewhat increased in the next bill, in order to relieve the board from embarrassment and to enable it to meet its bills promptly.

When we consider that the commissioners are gentlemen who are serving the State without compensation and because of the devotion and interest they have in this work, we feel that too high a compliment cannot be paid them for their unselfishness. We are satisfied that whatever recommendations they may make with reference to the protection of the fisheries and the enlargement of their work are dictated by no selfish motive or interest, and that due consideration should be given to such recommendation.

Geo. B. Davis,
Chairman.

C. E. Foote,
Edw. C. Bryan,
Geo. W. Reid,
A. J. Weler.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Ways and Means:

The committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred
House bill No. 96, entitled

A bill to make an appropriation for the support of the State Agricultural College; for the repair of buildings; and other improvements at said college;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without

amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Charles Smith,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

By the committee on Towns and Counties:

The committee on Towns and Counties, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 53, entitled

A bill to provide for a joint cemetery board for the township of Resort and Bear Creek and the city of Petoskey, in the county of Emmet, and to regulate the powers and duties thereof;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

T. M. Camburn,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. F. Shepherd,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Foster	Mr. Perry
Allison	Gibson	Peters
Alward	Gillam	Petrowsky
Anderson	Goodell	Phillips, C. C.
Babcock, C. G.	Graham	Phillips, M. F.
Babcock, H.	Green	Powers
Billings	Hammond	Putney
Bricker	Harris	Rulison
Bryan	Herrig	Savage
Buskirk	Hofmeister	Sawyer
Cahoon	January	Scully
Caldwell	Kerr	Shepard, F. M.
Camburn	Kimmis	Shepherd, F.
Campbell	Lee	Shisler
Clark	Lusk	Smith
Clute	Madill	Stewart
Coad	Marsilje	Stoneman
Colvin	Mayer	Tefft
Connors	McGill	Van Camp
Cousins	Miller	Vought
Crippen	Moore, E. W.	Washer
Davis	Moore, M. G.	Weier
Dickinson, J. H.	Niedermeier	Wetherbee
Dickinson, L. D.	Oberdorffer	Whitney

Mr. Dudley
Elkhoff
Fleischhauer
Foote

Mr. O'Dett
Otis
Pearson
Peek

Mr. Widoe
Williams
Wing
Speaker

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. F. Shepherd,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 10, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 95 (file No. 13), entitled

A bill to provide for the collection and publication of statistics of divorces in Michigan;

And to inform the House that the Senate has amended the same as follows:

By inserting in line 14 of Sec. 1, after the word "performed," the words "The name of each party;"

In the passage of which, as thus amended, the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The question being on concurring in the amendment made by the Senate to the bill,

On motion of Mr. Donovan,

The House concurred, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams
Allison
Alward
Anderson
Babcock, C. G.
Babcock, H.
Bates
Bemis
Billings
Bricker

Mr. Fleischhauer
Foster
Gibson
Gillam
Goodell
Graham
Green
Hammond
Harris
Herrig

Mr. Peek
Perry
Peters
Petrovsky
Phillips, C. C.
Phillips, M. F.
Powers
Putney
Rullison
Savage

Mr. Bryan	Mr. Hofmeister	Mr. Scully
Buskirk	Jackson	Shepard, F. M.
Cahoon	January	Shepherd, F.
Caldwell	Kerr	Shisler
Oamburn	Kimmis	Smith
Campbell	Lee	Stewart
Clark	Lusk	Stoneman
Clute	Marsilje	Tefft
Coad	Mayer	Van Camp
Colvin	McGill	Vought
Connors	Miller	Washer
Cousins	Molster	Weier
Crippen	Moore, E. W.	Wetherbee
Davis	Moore, M. G.	Whitney
Dickinson, J. H.	Niedermeyer	Widoe
Dickinson, L. D.	Oberdorffer	Williams
Donovan	O'Dett	Wing
Dndley	Otis	Zimmerman
Elkhoff	Pearson	Speaker

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The bill was then referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 10, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 36 (file No. 15), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 45 of Chap. 158 of the compiled laws of 1871, as amended by act No. 92, public acts of 1885, the same being Sec. 5932 of the third volume of Howell's annotated statutes, relative to the payment of debts and legacies of deceased persons;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 10, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 119 (file No. 17), entitled

A bill to repeal act No. 95 of the public acts of 1885, entitled "An act to provide for the collection of apiarian statistics, being compiler's Secs. 836b and 838c of the third Howell's annotated statutes;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,

Lansing, February 10, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 83, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of title 2 of act 429 local acts of 1895, entitled "An act to reincorporate the city of Cadillac and to create a recorder's court in said city, and to provide for the election and appointment of officers therein, and to prescribe the duties of said recorder," approved May 22, 1895;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has been ordered to take immediate effect, and in all of which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,

Lansing, February 10, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 52 (file No. 7), entitled

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Lapeer, being amendatory of an act entitled "An act to reincorporate the city of Lapeer," approved April 1, 1875;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has been

ordered to take immediate effect, and in all of which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Lee,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Fleischhauer	Mr. Peek
Allison	Gibson	Perry
Anderson	Gillam	Peters
Atkinson	Goodell	Petrowsky
Babcock, O. G.	Graham	Phillips, C. C.
Babcock, H.	Green	Phillips, M. F.
Bates	Hammond	Powers
Bemis	Harris	Putney
Billings	Herrig	Rulison
Bricker	Hofmeister	Savage
Bryan	Jackson	Scully
Buskirk	January	Shepard, F. M.
Cahoon	Kerr	Shepherd, F.
Caldwell	Kimmis	Shisler
Camburn	Lee	Smith
Campbell	Lusk	Stewart
Clark	Madill	Tefft
Clute	Marsilje	Van Camp
Coad	Mayer	Vought
Colvin	McGill	Washer
Connors	Miller	Weier
Cousins	Molster	Wetherbee
Crippen	Moore, E. W.	Whitney
Davis	Moore, M. G.	Widoe
Dickinson, J. H.	Niedermeyer	Williams
Dickinson, L. D.	Oberdorffer	Wing
Donovan	O'Dett	Zimmerman
Dudley	Otis	Speaker
Eikhoff	Pearson	

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Lee,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

NOTICES.

Mr. H. Babcock gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Grand Ledge.

Mr. Allison gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to prohibit the shooting or catching of prairie chickens, otherwise known as pinnated grouse.

Mr. Williams gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend act No. 215 of the public acts of 1895, relative to the time of assessment and collection of taxes.

Mr. F. M. Shepard gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the commencement of suits in this State on bonds provided by law to be filed in probate courts, in the county where such bond is filed, and for the service of process in any part of this State when suit thereon is ordered to be commenced by the probate judge on such bond.

Mr. C. C. Phillips gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to fix the powers and duties of the State Board of Education relative to the granting of teachers' certificates by the faculty of the Central Michigan Normal School.

Mr. Davis gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to set aside a part of school district No. 1, in the townships of Sterling and Shelby, Macomb county, and to make a new district thereof.

Mr. Connors gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to empower the school district of Sault Ste. Marie, in the city of Sault Ste. Marie, in Chippewa county, to bond itself by vote of its electors, according to law, in a sum not to exceed \$50,000, for the purchasing of school house sites, building school houses, etc.

Mr. Bates gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to revise and amend the charter of the city of Flint.

Mr. Perry gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the publication of the annual report of the Michigan Academy of Science.

Mr. Goodell gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to prevent telephone and telegraph companies from destroying or mutilating shade trees along public highways.

Mr. Lusk gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to make an appropriation for installing an electric light plant for the capitol building and other State institutions located in Lansing, where practicable.

Mr. Graham gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to define and establish the judicial circuits in the State of Michigan.

Mr. January gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend sections of the "General Banking Law," and to add new sections thereto.

Mr. January gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Secs. 7247 and 7248 of Howell's annotated statutes, relative to the eligibility of circuit judges to practice law in certain cases.

Mr. Peek gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to prohibit any contractor or debtor from paying any money to a laborer in any saloon or place where spirituous, malt or fermented liquors are on sale.

Mr. Foote gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide and encourage military instruction in public schools.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Connors, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 296, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 127, 128, 129, 130, 131 and 134 of act No. 206 of the public acts of 1893, being an act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied, making such tax a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased, and to repeal act No. 200 of the public acts of 1891, and all other acts or parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act, as amended by act No. 154 of the public acts of 1895.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Bricker, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 297, entitled

A bill to prevent the prescribing or filling of prescriptions from medical drugs, by physicians, pharmacists, or assistant pharmacists, while intoxicated or under the influence of alcoholic drinks, opium, morphine, or other narcotic drugs.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Public Health.

Mr. McGill, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 298, entitled

A bill to authorize the city of Grand Rapids to issue its bonds for the improvement of the navigation of Grand river, to provide for the disposal of the proceeds of such bonds, and for the appointment of a board of commissioners to take charge of such improvement, and to prescribe their powers and duties.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Pearson, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 299, entitled

A bill to authorize the townships of Lamotte, Marlette, Moore, Elmer, Argyle, Austin, Greenleaf, Evergreen, Custer, Watertown, Bridgehampton, Washington, Buel, Sanilac, Lexington, and Worth, in the county of Sanilac, to permit the laying of a railway track in, along and across the highways, and the operation of a railway by means of steam, electric or other motive power, within said townships, or either of them.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Williams, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 300, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 32 of act No. 190 of the public acts of 1891, entitled "An act to prescribe the manner of conducting and to prevent fraud and deception at elections in this State."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Elections.

Mr. Smith, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 301, entitled

A bill to legalize and give full effect to a conveyance of certain land made by the board of control of the Michigan Mining School to Florence E. Hubbell.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Bates, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 302, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 55 of Chap. 154 of the revised statutes of 1846, entitled "Offenses against property," as added by act No. 110 of the public acts of 1885, being Sec. 9176a of Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Hofmeister, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 303, entitled

A bill to authorize the townships of Wisner, Gilford, Akron, Fair Grove, Columbia, Almer, Indian Fields, Elmwood, Ellington, Wells, Dayton, Elkland, Kingston and Koylton, in the county of Tuscola, to permit the laying of a railway track in, along and across the highways, and the operation of a railway by means of steam, electric or other power, within said townships, or either of them.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Green, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 304, entitled

A bill to authorize the townships of Grant, Burtchville, Clyde, Fort Gratiot and Port Huron, in the county of St. Clair, to permit the laying

of a railway track in, along and across the highways, and the operation of a railway by means of steam, electric or other motive power, within said townships, or either of them.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Belknap, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 305, entitled

A bill to authorize the common council of the village of Caro, in the county of Tuscola, to permit the laying of a railway track in, along and across the streets, highways, alleys and public places in the village of Caro, and the operation of such road by means of steam, electric or other motive power.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Village Corporations.

Mr. Donovan, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 306, entitled

A bill to authorize the townships of Hampton, Portsmouth and Merritt, in the county of Bay, to permit the laying of a railway track in, along and across the highways, and the operation of a railway by means of steam, electric or other motive power, within said townships, or either of them.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Davis, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 307, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 8 and 15 of Chap. 9 of act No. 3 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of villages within the State of Michigan, and defining their power and duties," approved February 9, 1895.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Village Corporations.

Mr. Madill, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 308, entitled

A bill to authorize the townships of Sand Beach, Sigel, Paris, Verona and Bingham, and the villages of Sand Beach and Uby, in the county of Huron, to permit the operation of a railway by means of steam, electric or other motive power, and the laying of a railway track in, along and across the highways, within said townships and villages or any of them.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Billings (by request), previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 309, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of act No. 139 of the public acts of 1889, entitled "An act to protect fish and regulate fishing in the waters of this State by prohibiting the use of seines, pound nets, gill nets and other fixed or set nets with meshes below certain sizes, and regulating the use of such nets and to repeal inconsistent acts," being compiler's Sec. No. 2173b of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Adams, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 310, entitled

A bill to prohibit preferences by solvent corporations.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Adams, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 311, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 198 of the public acts of 1879, entitled "An act to provide for the regulation and enforcement of assignments for the benefit of creditors," approved May 13, 1879, as amended by act No. 215 of the public acts of 1889, approved June 29, 1889, being Sec. 8739 of third Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Gibson, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 312, entitled

A bill to amend Chap. 30 of act No. 434 of the local acts of the State of Michigan for the year 1895, entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Three Rivers, and to repeal act No. 161 of the session laws of 1855, entitled 'An act to incorporate the village of Three Rivers,' approved February 13, 1855, and all amendments thereto," by adding eight new sections to said Chap. 30 to stand as Secs. 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Weier, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 313, entitled

A bill to provide for the protection of persons and property in highways at steam or electric railroad or street railway crossings over public highways, regulating the use of such crossings by street railway, electric or steam railroad companies and providing for damages for persons or property injured thereat.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Mr. Bryan, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 314, entitled

A bill to repeal an act entitled "An act to regulate the manufacture and provide for inspection of salt," approved March 6, 1869, being act No. 29 of the laws of 1869, and all acts amendatory of said act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Lumber and Salt.

Mr. Bryan, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 315, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to regulate the manufacture and provide for the inspection of salt," approved March 6, 1896, being

act No. 29 of the laws of 1869, by adding a new section thereto to stand as Sec. 44.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Lumber and Salt.

Mr. Graham, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 316, entitled

A bill to authorize the State Board of Agriculture to hold institutes and to establish courses of reading and lectures for the instruction of citizens of this State in the various branches of agriculture, and making an appropriation therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Graham,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Colvin, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 317, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of act No. 200 of the public acts of Michigan, 1895.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Lee, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 318, entitled

A bill to repeal act No. 432 of the local acts of 1887.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Village Corporations.

Mr. Van Camp, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 319, entitled

A bill to establish a normal school in southwestern Michigan and to appropriate \$35,000 to acquire, equip and maintain the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Jackson, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 320, entitled

A bill to provide county depositories and regulate the deposit of public moneys therein.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Lusk offered the following:

Resolved, That the Board of State Auditors be and are hereby respectfully requested to secure plans and specifications and estimated cost for equipping the capitol building with an additional and modern elevator, and furnish the same to the House at their earliest convenience;

Which was not adopted.

Mr. Bemis offered the following:

Resolved, That when this House adjourns today it shall adjourn till 10 o'clock a. m. tomorrow, Friday, February 12;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Lusk offered the following:

Resolved, That when the House adjourns Friday it stands adjourned till Monday, February 15, at 4:30 p. m.;

Which was adopted.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Kimmis,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order, whereupon,

The Speaker called Mr. Cousins to the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following:

1, House bill No. 138 (file No. 23), entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of Methodist Protestant churches.

2. House bill No. 41 (file No. 24), entitled

A bill to prohibit the shooting of wild fowl by persons on board of any floating device, which employs as motive power steam, gas, naphtha, oil or electricity.

James Cousins,

Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Cousins,

The House concurred in the amendments made by the committee to the first and second named bills and they were placed on the order of third reading.

On motion of Mr. Graham,

The House took a recess until 1:30 o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

1:30 o'clock p. m.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Graham,

The House went into committee of the whole on the general order, whereupon

The Speaker called Mr. Camburn to the chair.

After some time spent therein the committee rose, and through their chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following:

1. House bill No. 10 (file No. 25), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 111 of the session laws of 1869, entitled "An act to prevent the destruction of muskrats and muskrat houses in the marshes along the shores of lakes Erie, St. Clair, Huron and Michigan," being Sec. 2216 of Howell's annotated statutes, and to repeal all acts inconsistent therewith.

2. House bill No. 159 (file No. 28), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of Chap. 67 of the compiled laws of 1871, entitled "The destruction of wolves and other noxious animals," said chapter being Chap. No. 70 of Howell's statutes, and to add a new section thereto to stand as Sec. 14 of said chapter.

3. House bill No. 122 (file No. 35), entitled

A bill making it unlawful for prosecuting attorneys to defend or assist in the defense of any person charged with crime within their respective counties.

4. House bill No. 137 (file No. 37), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 3 of act No. 156 of the session laws of 1851, entitled "An act to define the powers and duties of the boards of supervisors of the several counties, and to confer upon them certain local administrative and legislative powers," the same being Sec. 475 of Howell's annotated statutes;

5. Senate joint resolution No. 3 (file No. 2), entitled

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to Sec. 1, Art. 9, of the constitution of this State, relative to the salary of the Attorney General.

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend their passage.

The committee of the whole have also had under consideration the following:

6. House bill No. 178 (file No. 26), entitled

A bill to allow the spearing of fish.

7. House bill No. 24 (file No. 7), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 8, Chap. 112, of Howell's statutes, entitled "Water Power Companies," being compiler's Sec. 3881 of Howell's annotated statutes.

Have made sundry amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend their passage.

The committee of the whole have also had under consideration the following:

8. House joint resolution No. 7 (file No. 34), entitled

A joint resolution directing the Board of State Auditors to settle claim made by George W. Crump against the State of Michigan, for compensa-

tion for injuries received by him while superintending the removal of camp supplies and equipage from the military camp at Island Lake to the railroad station, on the 9th day of August, 1887;

And have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that it be referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

The committee of the whole have also had under consideration the following:

9. House bill No. 81 (file No. 29), entitled

A bill to amend act No. 161 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to require county treasurers to furnish transcripts and abstracts of records and fixing the fees to be paid therefor."

And have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that it be laid on the table.

The committee of the whole have also had under consideration the following:

10. House bill No. 73 (file No. 11), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. No. 1 of act No. 264 of the session laws of 1889, entitled "An act relative to disorderly persons and to repeal Chap. 53 of the compiled laws of 1871, as amended by the several acts amendatory thereof."

Have stricken out all after the enacting clause thereof, and have directed their chairman to report that fact to the House, asking concurrence therein.

T. M. Camburn,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The first, second, third and fourth named bills and fifth named joint resolution were placed on the order of third reading.

On motion of Mr. Foote,

The House concurred in the amendments made by the committee to the sixth and seventh named bills and they were placed on the order of third reading.

On motion of Mr. Camburn,

The House concurred in the recommendation of the committee relative to the eighth named joint resolution and it was referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

On motion of Mr. Camburn,

The House concurred in the recommendation of the committee relative to the ninth named bill, and it was laid on the table.

The question being on concurring in the action of the committee in striking out all after the enacting clause of the tenth named bill,

Mr. M. G. Moore demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded, and the action of the committee was not concurred in, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Allison
Atkinson
Babcock, C. G.

Mr. Colvin
Crippen
Dickinson, L. D.

Mr. Phillips, C. C.
Phillips, M. F.
Powers

Mr. Babcock, H.	Mr. Donovan	Mr. Shepard, F. M.
Bemis	Elkhoff	Shisler
Billings	Gibson	Tefft
Bricker	Hofmeister	Van Camp
Bryan	Jackson	Vought
Cahoon	January	Weier
Campbell	Niedermeyer	Whitney
Clute	Pearson	Widoe
Coad	Peters	Wing

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NAYS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Goodell	Mr. Moore, M. G.
Alward	Goodyear	Oberdorffer
Anderson	Graham	O'Dett
Belknap	Green	Peek
Buskirk	Harris	Perry
Caldwell	Herrig	Putney
Camburn	Kimmis	Reed
Connors	Lee	Rulison
Cousins	Madill	Savage
Davis	Marsilje	Shepherd, F.
Dickinson, J. H.	Mayer	Smith
Dudley	McGill	Washer
Fleischhauer	Molster	Speaker
Gillam	Moore, E. W.	

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On motion of Mr. M. G. Moore,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Colvin, by unanimous consent, offered the following:

Resolved, That smoking is forbidden in this hall during sessions of the House. The Sergeant-at-Arms shall enforce this resolution;
Which was adopted.

By unanimous consent, the following:

NOTICES

Were introduced:

Mr. Anderson gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill making appropriation for improvements and repairs in and about the Michigan State Prison at Jackson.

Mr. McGill gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the holding of caucuses or primaries in the several counties of this State and to regulate the manner and time of conducting the same.

Mr. McGill gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of an act entitled "An act to authorize judges of probate of certain counties to appoint a register and prescribing his

duties and compensation," approved March 30, 1869, being act 79 of the session laws of 1869, as amended by acts amendatory thereto.

On motion of Mr. Davis,

Leave of absence was granted to himself for tomorrow.

On motion of Mr. Peek,

Leave of absence was granted to himself for tomorrow.

On motion of Mr. Peek,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Sawyer for tomorrow.

On motion of Mr. Savage,

The House took a recess until 8 o'clock p. m.

EVENING SESSION.

8 o'clock p. m.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

Mr. Atkinson moved that a committee of three be appointed to inform the Senate that the House is ready to receive them in joint convention.

Which motion prevailed.

The Speaker appointed as such committee Messrs. Atkinson, Kimmis and Powers.

After a short absence the committee returned and reported that they had performed the duty assigned them, and were discharged.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced the Honorable the Senate, who were conducted to seats.

PROCEEDINGS IN JOINT CONVENTION.

The joint convention was called to order by Lieutenant Governor Thomas B. Dunstan, President of the Senate, and President of the joint convention.

The roll of the Senate was called by the Secretary thereof, and a quorum of the Senators was present.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk thereof, and a quorum of the members was present.

The President announced that the two Houses had met in joint convention for the purpose of considering the petition of Hon. Wm. R. Kendrick, asking that the legislature make an investigation as to the correctness of the finding of the board of State canvassers, in declaring that Byron A. Snow was duly elected to the office of circuit judge for the 10th judicial circuit of this State, in accordance with the provisions of Sec. 5, Art. VIII, of the constitution.

The petition of William R. Kendrick was then read at length as follows:

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan:

Your petitioner, Wm. R. Kendrick, respectfully represents that he is a citizen of the United States and a qualified elector of the county of

Saginaw, State of Michigan, which said county constitutes the 10th judicial circuit of the said State of Michigan.

Your petitioner further represents that at the election held in said circuit, November 3, A. D. 1896, there were only two candidates upon the ballots to be voted for the office of circuit judge to fill vacancy, and that your petitioner was the candidate on the Republican ticket and Byron A. Snow was the candidate on the Democratic-People's-Union-Silver ticket.

Your petitioner further represents that the county board of canvassers of said Saginaw county canvassed the votes of said judicial circuit and certified the same to the State Board of Canvassers as they were counted and returned by the several election boards of the voting precincts of said circuit, and that by the canvass as made and returned by said county board of canvassers, it appears that said Byron A. Snow received a majority of the votes cast for the said office of circuit judge to fill vacancy in said circuit, and he was therefore declared elected to said office, and the said State Board of Canvassers caused to be issued to him a certificate of election, but your petitioner believes that said Byron A. Snow was not legally elected to said office, but that your petitioner was, and that he therefore desires to contest the final determination of said State Board of Canvassers in the premises, and avers that your petitioner will, if the votes lawfully cast in said circuit which are legally marked so as to express the voter's choice in the manner provided by law and legally counted, be shown to have been elected to said office and entitled to a certificate of election, and that the said election of the said Byron A. Snow, or his apparent election, results in the fraudulent and illegal manner of conducting the election and of counting the ballots, and in permitting persons who are not electors to vote in the several townships and wards and voting precincts in said circuit hereinafter named.

Your petitioner therefore charges, upon information and belief, that in the conduct of the election in many of the voting precincts in said circuit there was gross fraud and illegality and a wilful disregard of the mandatory and directory laws enacted for governing elections and the conduct of the board of election inspectors, and that many votes were cast by persons who are not electors and by others who were not registered, and that many votes were counted for said Byron A. Snow wrongfully and illegally, and that many votes legally cast for your petitioner were not counted for him by said several boards of election inspectors, and that such fraud, illegality, and error in the conduct of said election and in permitting persons who are not electors, and who are not registered, occurred in the townships, wards, and polling precincts in said district hereinafter named, that is to say:

In the townships of Birch Run, Buena Vista, Brant, Chapin, Carrollton, Frankenmuth, Fremont, James, Jonesfield, Kochville, Lakefield, Richland, Saginaw, Spaulding, Thomastown and Taymouth, and also in the wards of the city of Saginaw to wit: in the first ward, the fourth ward, the eleventh ward, the fourteenth ward and the fifteenth ward.

Your petitioner charges upon information and belief that in each of said townships, wards, and voting precincts, many persons who voted at said election were assisted in the marking of their tickets by the members of the board of election inspectors and by other persons without

said voters being first sworn that they could not read English or that because of physical disability they were unable to mark their tickets themselves, said voters being persons whose disability, if any existed, was not manifest to said election inspectors. And that in said several townships, wards and voting precincts, persons adverse to the interest and election of your petitioner were allowed to be and remain inside of the railing erected in said polling place during the greater portion of the day and to converse with the voters and influence them after they had secured their ballots and before the same were deposited in the ballot boxes, and that in each of the said several townships, wards and voting precincts some of the members of the said boards of election inspectors instructed and permitted others to instruct a large number of voters how to mark their tickets without such assistance or instruction having been first requested by such voters, and that in many instances said members of said election board and other persons went into the booths with the electors and wrongfully and illegally influenced them in selecting their tickets and the persons for whom they voted, and that in consequence thereof, a large number of voters in said several townships, wards and polling precincts exposed their tickets to the view of others after they were marked, in violation of law.

Your petitioner further represents that in said township of Birch Run in addition to the other irregularities and illegal practices hereinbefore mentioned, that the said election board of said township neglected to prepare any ballot box within which to deposit the ballots when the ballots were received after being marked by the voters, instead of being placed by said election board in a proper and legally prepared ballot box having a lock and key, and which could be securely closed and sealed, they were placed by said board in a common box which had been prepared and used for the shipment of bird-seed, and which had neither lock nor key, and the bottom and top to which were insecurely fastened on with small wire nails, and in no other manner, and said election board with respect thereto acted in entire disregard of the safeguards provided by law securing the ballots cast by the electors of said township.

Your petitioner further represents that in each of said several townships, wards, and voting precincts, persons who were not members of said board of election inspectors were permitted to assist in the counting of the ballots and that instead of each member of said boards counting and inspecting all of the tickets, they individually and severally counted and inspected only a part and parcel of the ballots cast, and in that way acted without check upon each other's inspection and count and by reason thereof made many mistakes and omissions and counted many votes for said Snow when the voter's choice was not expressed by marking his ticket in the manner the law provides and requires.

Your petitioner further represents that in addition to the illegal conduct and irregularities hereinbefore referred to respecting the election held in the township of Frankenmuth that said election was held in their township hall which was partitioned off by solid walls into three rooms and that the larger room was divided by a railing extending from one side to the other; that within said larger room, but within the railing and about two and one-half feet therefrom were the booths which were constructed with doors on each side thereof, one opening towards the railing and one on the opposite side; that the board of election inspectors

and the ballot boxes were in one of said other rooms and the ballots were handed out through a small window about two feet in diameter and when marked were again returned through said window and the ballots if deposited in the ballot box, were not so deposited in the presence of the voters. And when said board of election inspectors counted and canvassed the ballots at the close of said election, said window was closed and the public entirely excluded from the presence of said board during the time of such counting and canvassing of said ballots. And that during the entire day there was posted up upon the walls within the polling place a large placard with instructions thereon to the voters to vote the silver ticket. Your petitioner further represents that a like placard was posted up within and on the polling place in said several other townships, wards, and voting precincts.

Your petitioner further represents that in several of said townships, wards and voting precincts the gate keeper appointed by said board to attend the gates in the railing erected through said polling places, in violation of law conversed with the voters as they passed in through said gates and urged them to vote said Democratic-People's-Union-Silver ticket.

Your petitioner further represents that in several of said townships, wards and voting precincts, and particularly in the township of Brant, the inspector of election designated by said board of election inspectors to distribute the tickets to the voters, several times during the day and while said polls were open and for a considerable period of time gave the ballots to the challenger of the Democratic-People's-Union-Silver party and absented himself from said polling place and said challenger was permitted by said boards of election inspectors to distribute the ballots to the voters.

Your petitioner further represents that in many of said townships, wards and voting precincts, and in each of them, a large number of persons were illegally registered upon the registration day next before said election who were permitted to vote in said several townships, wards and voting precincts at said election, and whose illegal registration was known to said election boards and a large number of persons upon said registration day were registered by proxy and from places of residences named by them which do not exist in fact, and such persons were also permitted to vote.

Your petitioner further represents that many persons were permitted to register in several townships, wards and voting precincts upon said election day and to vote at said election without having been first sworn as the law provides they should be. Your petitioner further represents that in said several polling places in the townships, wards and voting precincts hereinbefore mentioned and in close proximity to the booths therein many persons were permitted to discuss and advocate openly and urge the voters there present to vote said Democratic-People's-Union-Silver ticket during the greater portion of said election day.

Your petitioner further represents that in the several townships, wards and voting precincts of said district many tickets were counted for the Democratic-People's-Union-Silver party, and consequently for said Byron A. Snow, which bore distinguishing marks, which should not have been counted for any candidate.

Your petitioner respectfully shows that according to the provisions of Sec. 5, Art. VIII, of the constitution of the State of Michigan, in consideration of the premises belonging and by right ought to be exercised by the legislature in joint convention, and therefore your petitioner being remedyless, except before your honorable body, therefore, in consideration of the premises, prays that an investigation of said matters be had and the correctness of said final determination of the said State Board of Canvassers be determined as to your honorable body may seem proper and just under the constitution and laws of this State, and that your petitioner may be declared elected circuit judge to fill vacancy of the said 10th judicial circuit for the term expiring January 1, 1900, and your petitioner will ever pray.

Wm. R. Kendrick.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, }
County of Ingham, } ss.

On this 10th day of February, A. D. 1897, before me personally appeared the above named petitioner, Wm. R. Kendrick, and made oath that he has read the foregoing petition by him subscribed, and that he knows the contents thereof, and that the same is true of his own knowledge, except as to the matters therein stated to be on his information and belief, and as to those matters he believes to be true.

Wm. R. Kendrick.

Lewis M. Miller,

Notary Public in and for Ingham county, Mich.

The reading of the petition being finished,
Senator Covell moved that the petition be referred to the joint Judiciary committees of the two Houses;

Which motion prevailed.

Senator Preston moved that when the joint convention adjourns it stand adjourned until Tuesday next, at 8 o'clock p. m.,

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Senator Barnard,
The joint convention adjourned.

Charles S. Pierce,

Secretary of the Senate,

Lewis M. Miller,

Clerk of the House,

Secretaries of the Joint Convention.

AFTER THE JOINT CONVENTION.

The Senators having retired,

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

The Speaker announced that the Senate and House had met in joint convention and had received the petition of William R. Kendrick asking for an investigation by the two Houses in joint convention of the determination of the Board of State Canvassers that Byron A. Snow had been duly elected to the office of judge of the 10th judicial circuit.

Mr. Foote moved that the House adjourn;
Which motion prevailed, and
The Speaker declared the House adjourned until 10 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

Lansing, Friday, February 12, 1897.

The House met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Zimmerman.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. Belknap and Wetherbee.

On motion of Mr. Connors,

Leave of absence was granted to all absentees for the day.

On motion of Mr. Foote,

Leave of absence was granted to himself for Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Fleischhauer,

Leave of absence was granted to himself for the day.

On motion of Mr. M. G. Moore,

Leave of absence was granted to himself for Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Niedermeier,

Leave of absence was granted to himself until Thursday next.

On motion of Mr. Stewart,

Leave of absence was granted to himself for Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Putney,

Leave of absence was granted to himself for Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Moore,

Leave of absence was granted to himself for Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Pearson,

Leave of absence was granted to himself for Monday next.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 117. By Mr. Lee: Petition of E. Tunnison and 50 others, taxpayers of the village of Hadley, Lapeer county, asking the amendment of its charter.

Referred to the committee on Village Corporations.

No. 118. By Mr. C. C. Phillips: Petition of Woman's Club of Hartford in favor of the passage of the bill placing women on Boards of Asylums for the Insane.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 119. By Mr. L. D. Dickinson: Petition from Charlotte Grange relative to salaries of judges of the supreme court.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 120. By Mr. Camburn: Petition of J. L. Tuttle and 70 others of Clinton, Lenawee county, for the establishment of a board of examination and registration in medicine.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 121. By Mr. Crippen: Petition of F. J. Trudell and 81 other prominent citizens of Iron Mountain, Dickinson county, relative to the protection of deer,

On demand of Mr. Crippen,

The petition was read at length and spread at large on the Journal, as follows:

We, the undersigned, residents and citizens of Dickinson county, Michigan, hereby petition your honorable body, that no change be made in the present game law relating to deer, except that the sale of venison be prohibited for the term of three years. Experience has taught us that the only way to fully protect deer is to prohibit the sale of venison. Our county, we think, contains more deer than any other county in the State and we have had more and better opportunities than others to see the workings of the law as it now stands. Practically no does are killed under this law, but if a change is made to October, does will be killed in greater quantities than bucks, as they do not seek shelter until their running season is over, which is about the first of November. Pot hunters find a ready market for venison, and no trouble to avoid even the present law, as it does not prohibit the sale of the deer lawfully and unlawfully killed by them. If they and every other person are prohibited from selling, they will soon lose all interest in killing, and by this means only can deer be fully and fairly protected by law.

Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

122. By Mr. Tefft: Petition of John C. Covert and 92 others of Brooklyn, Jackson county, asking for the passage of House bill No. 150, designed to prevent discrimination against bicycles as baggage.

Referred to the committee on Railroads.

123. By Mr. Van Camp: Petition of Ossoli Club of Benton Harbor against House bill No. 73.

Referred to committee on State Affairs.

No. 124. By Mr. Van Camp: Petition of Ossoli Club of Benton Harbor asking the passage of House bill No. 72.

Referred to committee on State Affairs.

No. 125. By Mr. Foote: Petition of Ladies' Literary Club of Augusta asking for the passage of House bill No. 72.

Referred to committee on State Affairs.

No. 126. By Mr. Oberdorffer: Petition of Paul Perrigo and 25 others of the township of Stephenson relative to an agricultural experiment station in the upper peninsula.

Referred to committee on Agricultural College.

No. 127. By Mr. Oberdorffer: Petition of Joseph E. Ringer and 19 others of Millen township relative to an agricultural experiment station in the upper peninsula.

Referred to committee on Agricultural College.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on State Affairs:

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 110, entitled

A bill to provide for the encouragement of the manufacture of beet sugar, and to provide a compensation therefor, and to make an appropriation therefor;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying substitute therefor, entitled

A bill to provide for the encouragement of the manufacture of beet sugar, and to provide a compensation therefor, and to make an appropriation therefor;

Recommending that the substitute be concurred in, and that the substitute do pass, 500 extra copies of the substitute to be printed and distributed, by the order of the committee, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Henry Lee,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Dudley,

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by committee.

On motion of Mr. Dudley,

The request was granted, and 500 extra copies of the bill were ordered printed for the use of the committee.

The bill was then referred to the committee of Ways and Means.

By the committee on Elections:

The committee on Elections, to whom was referred

House bill No. 271, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 203 of the public acts of 1877, approved May 23, 1877, entitled "An act relative to dividing townships and villages into election districts and to provide for the registration of electors in such cases," by adding thereto another section to be known as Sec. 14;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House with amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. E. Stewart,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Marsilje,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and place on the general order.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor,

House bill No. 36 (file No. 15), entitled

An act to amend Sec. 45 of Chap. 158 of the compiled laws of 1871, as amended by act No. 92 of the public acts of 1885, the same being Sec. 5932 of the third volume of Howell's annotated statutes, relative to the payment of debts and legacies of deceased persons;

For which your committee hold the receipt of the Executive office dated February 11, 1897, at 8:35 o'clock p. m.

Geo. E. Gillam,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor,

House bill No. 119 (file No. 17), entitled

An act to repeal act 95 of the public acts of 1885, entitled "An act to provide for the collection of apiarian statistics," being compiler's Secs. 838b and 838c of the third Howell's annotated statutes;

For which your committee hold the receipt of the Executive office dated February 11, 1897, at 8:35 o'clock p. m.

Geo. E. Gillam,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor

House bill No. 95 (file No. 13), entitled

An act to provide for the collection and publication of statistics of divorces in Michigan;

For which your committee hold the receipt of the Executive office dated February 11, 1897, at 8:35 o'clock p. m.

George E. Gillam,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Speaker announced the following:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Lansing, February 11, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved, signed and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State,

House bill No. 16, being

An act making an appropriation for the current and running expenses of the Michigan Home for the Feeble Minded and Epileptic until the general appropriation for that purpose shall be available.

Respectfully,

H. S. Pingree,
Governor.

The message was ordered spread on the Journal.

The Speaker also announced the following:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Lansing, February 12, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved, signed and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State,

House bill No. 119 (file No. 17), being

An act to repeal act No. 95 of the public acts of 1885, entitled "An act to provide for the collection of apiarian statistics," being compiler's Secs. 838b and 838c of the third Howell's annotated statutes.

Respectfully,
H. S. Pingree,
Governor.

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Governor.

The message was ordered spread on the Journal.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 11, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 279, entitled

A bill to provide for the extension, construction and maintenance of the Whitehall road and the Houghton road, through the city of North Muskegon, same being county roads of the county of Muskegon, established by the board of county road commissioners of the county of Muskegon;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 11, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That we, the members of the legislature of the State of Michigan, express our earnest sympathy with, and hearty commendation of the effort now being made by Senator James McMillan, in the Congress of the United States, to regulate the practice of vivisection in the district of Columbia; that we regard this practice of torturing animals as cruel, inhuman, and unworthy of our civilization;

That a copy of this resolution, signed by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House, be forwarded to Senator James McMillan;

In the adoption of which the Senate has concurred.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment.

NOTICES.

Mr. Atkinson gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for vacating charters of street railway corporations after consolidation or sale to other companies.

Mr. Atkinson gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill providing that all grants of franchises in streets or public places in cities in this State shall be ineffectual until submitted to the people.

Mr. Atkinson gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend act No. 206 of the public acts of 1893.

Mr. Kelly gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to establish a homeopathic medical college in Detroit.

Mr. Kelly gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the supplying of State institutions with Michigan products.

Mr. Fuller gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 195 of the public acts of 1893, entitled "An act to prescribe the duties of telegraph companies incorporated either within or without this State relative to the transmission of messages, and to provide for the recovery of damages for negligence in the performance of such duties."

Mr. Adams gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 17 of act No. 313 of the session laws of 1887, entitled "An act to provide for the taxation and regulation of the business of manufacturing, selling, keeping for sale, furnishing, giving or delivering spirituous and intoxicating liquors, and malt, brewed, or fermented liquors and vinous liquors in this State, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act."

Mr. Molster gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 4, act No. 460, local acts of 1895.

Mr. Van Camp gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the transfer of causes and proceedings both civil and criminal in justices' courts, and to repeal all acts inconsistent herewith.

Mr. Stoneman gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to regulate the manufacture and sale of beer, ale and porter.

Mr. Goodell gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to prevent monopolies in articles of general necessity and to provide penalty therefor.

Mr. Goodell gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to extend and regulate the liability of employers to make compensation for personal injuries suffered by employes in their service.

Mr. Donovan gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend and revise the charter of Bay City.

Mr. Gibson gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of Chap. 11 of act No. 434 of the session laws of 1895, entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Three Rivers," and to repeal act No. 161 of the session laws of 1855, entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Three Rivers," approved February 13, 1855, and all amendments thereto.

Mr. Crippen gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the city of Iron Mountain to appropriate money for the construction and maintenance of a highway through the township of Breitung, in the county of Dickinson.

Mr. McGill gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Chap. 117 of the revised statutes of the State of Michigan of 1846, entitled "Of proceedings against corporations in chancery" and acts amendatory thereto, being Chap. 281 of Howell's annotated statutes of the State of Michigan, by adding thereto five new sections to be known as Secs. 27, 28, 29, 30 and 31.

Mr. Kerr gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the township of James in Saginaw county to borrow two thousand dollars on its bonds to build a pier under the Merrill bridge in said township

Mr. Dudley gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to limit the liability of sureties on bonds given on appeal from justice courts.

Mr. Atkinson gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to allow the use of the American Votograph and other voting machines.

Mr. Atkinson gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Detroit and to provide for the appointment of a commissioner of public works, a police commissioner, a commissioner of parks and boulevards, a city counsellor, water commissioner, fire commissioner, a health officer and a commissioner of education.

Mr. Atkinson gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide against discrimination by railway companies and other carriers in the rates charged for passengers and freight in this State.

Mr. Atkinson gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide a remedy to persons aggrieved by overcharges by railroad companies, and to provide a penalty for a violation of special charters under which railroads are operating in this State.

Mr. Fuller gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 14 and repeal Sec. 18 of the public acts of 1891, entitled "An act to prescribe the manner of conducting and to prevent fraud and (deception) deceptions at elections in this State."

Mr. M. G. Moore gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend act No. 119 of the public acts of 1893, as amended by act 150 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to define what shall constitute fraternal beneficiary societies, orders or associations, to provide for their incorporation and the regulation of their business and for the punishment for violation of the provisions of the act of their incorporation, and to repeal all existing acts inconsistent therewith," by adding two new sections thereto to stand as Secs. 22 and 23.

Mr. Stewart gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to abolish the board of education in the city of Detroit and to provide for a commission therefor.

Mr. Goodell gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for publishing the annual accounts of boards of trustees of graded school districts and providing a penalty for failure therein.

Mr. Stoneman gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A joint resolution authorizing the Board of State Auditors to provide for lighting the State capitol building with electricity and equip it with a modern electric elevator.

Mr. F. M. Shepard gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 185 of the public acts of 1893 with reference to legal holidays.

Mr. Molster gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the stamping of boots and shoes composed wholly or partly of an imitation leather.

Mr. F. Shepherd gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the renewal and reorganization of corporations organized pursuant to the provisions of act No. 411 of the session laws of 1867 for the improvement of the navigation of any navigable river within the counties of St. Joseph, Cass, Berrien and Cheboygan, and for the creation of hydraulic power thereon, and whose existence is about to terminate, or may have already terminated by operation of law.

Mr. Madill gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to prohibit fishing with nets in Wild Fowl Bay.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Connors, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 321, entitled

A bill to empower the school district of Sault Ste. Marie, in the city of Sault Ste. Marie, in Chippewa county, to bond itself by vote of its electors

according to law, in a sum not to exceed \$50,000 in excess of the maximum amount now allowed by law, for the purpose of purchasing school house sites, building school houses and equipping and furnishing the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Anderson, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 322, entitled

A bill making appropriation for improvements and repairs in and about the Michigan State Prison at Jackson.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Prison.

Mr. Camburn, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 323, entitled

A bill to regulate the admission to practice of attorneys, solicitors and counsellors, and to repeal conflicting acts.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. McGill, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 324, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of an act entitled "An act to authorize judges of probate of certain counties to appoint a register, and prescribing his duties and compensation," approved March 30, 1869, being act 79 of the session laws of 1869, as amended by act 186 of the public acts of 1879, as amended by act No. 241 of the laws of 1895, the same being compiler's Sec. 536 of Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. McGill, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 325, entitled

A bill to prohibit and make it unlawful for any judge of probate, register of any probate court, or clerk of any such court, from practicing therein or representing any executor, administrator or guardian, as attorney or solicitor in any of the probate, circuit, municipal, or any of the other courts of their respective counties, or representing any person or persons as attorney or solicitor in any of said courts in any matter or proceeding pertaining to any estate being administered in the probate court of their respective counties, or any estate having been administered therein.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Gibson, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 326, entitled

A bill to authorize the township board of the township of Lockport, in the county of St. Joseph and State of Michigan, to sell to the city of Three Rivers, in said county, all the interest of said township of Lockport in the library known as the Three Rivers free public library of the township

of Lockport, or to effect a division of said library between said township and said city by agreement with the city council thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Foote, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 327, entitled

A bill to provide and encourage military instruction in the public schools.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. F. M. Shepard, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 328, entitled

A bill to provide for the commencement of suits in this State on bonds provided by law to be filed in probate courts in the county where such bond is filed, and for the service of process in any part of this State, when suit thereon is ordered to be commenced by the probate judge on such bond.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Cahoon, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 329, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 156 of the session laws of 1891, entitled "An act to regulate the interest of money on account, interest on money, judgments, verdicts, etc."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Van Camp, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 330, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of act No. 348 of the session laws of 1891, entitled "An act to incorporate the city of St. Joseph, in Berrien county, and to repeal act No. 267 of the session laws of 1873, and all acts amendatory thereof." approved June 5, 1891.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Vought, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 331, entitled

A bill to change the boundary lines of the several wards of the city of St. Louis in the county of Gratiot, and to amend Sec. 2 of act No. 211 of the local acts of 1891, entitled "An act to incorporate the city of St. Louis in the county of Gratiot," approved March 12, 1891.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. L. D. Dickinson, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 332, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 8 of the revised statutes of 1846, as amended by act No. 111 of the public acts of Michigan for the year 1867, being com-

piller's Sec. 5895 of the second volume of Howell's annotated statutes of the State of Michigan, relative to the hearing of claims against the estates of deceased persons, by the judge of probate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Savage, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 333, entitled

A bill to allow and authorize the deposit of a guaranty fund in the State treasury by fraternal beneficiary societies, orders and associations, doing business in this State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Insurance.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 138 (file No. 23), entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of Methodist Protestant churches;

Was read a third time, and pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

On motion of Mr. Atkinson,

The bill was laid on the table.

House bill No. 41 (file No. 24), entitled

A bill to prohibit the shooting of wild fowl by persons on board of any floating device, which employs as motive power steam, gas, naphtha, oil or electricity;

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Dudley	Mr. Moore, M. G.
Allison	Eikhoff	Niedermeyer
Alward	Foote	Oberdorffer
Anderson	Fuller	Otis
Atkinson	Gibson	Perry
Babcock, C. G.	Gillam	Peters
Babcock, H.	Goodell	Petrowsky
Belknap	Goodyear	Powers
Bemis	Green	Putney
Billings	Harris	Rulison
Bricker	Herrig	Savage
Bryan	Hofmeister	Shepard, F. M.
Caldwell	Jackson	Shepherd, F.
Camburn	Kelly	Shisler
Campbell	Kimmis	Smith
Clute	Lee	Stewart
Coad	Madill	Tefft
Connors	Marsilje	Van Camp
Cousins	Mayer	Vought

Mr. Crippen	Mr. McGill	Mr. Washer
Dickinson, J. H.	Miller	Weier
Dickinson, L. D.	Molster	Widoe
Donovan	Moore, E. W.	Speaker

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Title agreed to.

House bill No. 10 (file No 25), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 111 of the session laws of 1869, entitled "An act to prevent the destruction of muskrats and muskrat houses in the marshes along the shores of lakes Erie, St. Clair, Huron and Michigan," being Sec. 2216 of Howell's annotated statutes, and to repeal all acts inconsistent therewith;

Was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Elkhoff	Mr. Niedermeier
Allison	Foote	Oberdorffer
Alward	Fuller	Otis
Anderson	Gibson	Perry
Atkinson	Gillam	Peters
Babcock, H.	Goodell	Petrowsky
Belknap	Goodyear	Powers
Bemis	Green	Putney
Billings	Harris	Rulison
Bricker	Herrig	Savage
Bryan	Hofmeister	Shepard, F. M.
Caldwell	Jackson	Shepherd, F.
Camburn	Kerr	Shisler
Campbell	Kimmis	Smith
Clute	Lee	Stewart
Coad	Madill	Tefft
Connors	Marsilje	Van Camp
Cousins	Mayer	Vought
Crippen	McGill	Washer
Dickinson, J. H.	Miller	Weier
Dickinson, L. D.	Molster	Widoe
Donovan	Moore, E. W.	Speaker
Dudley		

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The question being on agreeing to the title,

Mr. Weier moved to amend the title to read as follows:

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 111 of the session laws of 1869, entitled "An act to prevent the destruction of muskrats and muskrat houses in the marshes along the shores of lakes Erie, St. Clair, Huron and Michigan," being Sec. 2216 of Howell's annotated statutes, and to repeal all acts inconsistent therewith;

Which motion prevailed.

The title as amended was then agreed to.

House bill No. 159 (file No. 28), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of Chap. 67 of the compiled laws of 1871, entitled "The destruction of wolves and other noxious animals," said chapter being Chap. 70 of Howell's statutes, and to add a new section thereto to stand as Sec. 14 of said chapter;

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Gibson	Mr. Otis
Alward	Gillam	Peters
Anderson	Goodell	Petrowsky
Belknap	Goodyear	Powers
Bemis	Green	Putney
Billings	Harris	Rulison
Bryan	Herrig	Savage
Caldwell	Hofmeister	Shepard, F. M.
Campbell	Jackson	Shepherd, F.
Coad	Kelly	Shisler
Connors	Kimmis	Smith
Crippen	Lee	Stewart
Dickinson, J. H.	Madill	Van Camp
Dickinson, L. D.	Mayer	Washer
Dudley	Moore, E. W.	Weier
Eikhoff	Moore, M. G.	Widoe
Foote	Niedermeyer	Speaker
Fuller	Oberdorffer	

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Mr. Allison	Mr. Camburn	Mr. Miller
Atkinson	Clute	Molster
Babcock, C. G.	Cousins	Perry
Babcock, H.	Marsilje	Tefft
Cahoon	McGill	Vought

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Title agreed to.

Senate joint resolution No. 3 (file No. 2), entitled

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to Sec. 1, Art 9, of the constitution of this State, relative to the salary of the Attorney General.

Pending the reading of the joint resolution,

On motion of Mr. Kelly,

The joint resolution was laid on the table.

House bill No. 137 (file No. 37), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 3 of act No. 156 of the session laws of 1851, entitled "An act to define the powers and duties of the boards of supervisors of the several counties, and to confer upon them certain local administrative and legislative powers," the same being Sec. 475 of Howell's annotated statutes;

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Dudley	Mr. Moore, E. W.
Allison	Edgar	Moore, M. G.
Alward	Eikhoff	Niedermeier
Anderson	Foote	Oberdorffer
Atkinson	Fuller	Perry
Babcock, C. G.	Gibson	Peters
Babcock, H.	Gillam	Petrowsky
Belknap	Goodell	Powers
Bemis	Goodyear	Putney
Billings	Green	Rulison
Bricker	Harris	Savage
Bryan	Herrig	Shepard, F. M.
Cahoon	Hofmeister	Shepherd, F.
Caldwell	Jackson	Shisler
Camburn	Kelly	Smith
Campbell	Kimmis	Stewart
Clute	Lee	Tefft
Coad	Madill	Van Camp
Connors	Marsilje	Vought
Cousins	Mayer	Washer
Crippen	McGill	Weier
Dickinson, J. H.	Miller	Widoe
Dickinson, L. D.	Molster	Speaker
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Title agreed to.

House bill No. 122 (file No. 35), entitled

A bill making it unlawful for prosecuting attorneys to defend or assist in the defense of any person charged with crime within their respective counties;

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Dickinson, L. D.	Mr. Molster
Allison	Donovan	Moore, E. W.
Alward	Dudley	Moore, M. G.
Anderson	Edgar	Niedermeier
Atkinson	Eikhoff	Oberdorffer
Babcock, H.	Foote	Otis
Belknap	Fuller	Perry
Bemis	Gillam	Peters
Billings	Goodell	Powers
Bricker	Goodyear	Putney

Mr. Bryan	Mr. Green	Mr. Shepard, F. M.
Cahoon	Harris	Shepherd, F.
Caldwell	Herrig	Shisler
Camburn	Hofmeister	Smith
Campbell	Jackson	Stewart
Clute	Kimmis	Tefft
Coad	Lee	Van Camp
Connors	Madill	Vought
Cousins	Mayer	Weier
Crippen	McGill	Widoe
Dickinson, J. H.	Miller	Speaker

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Title agreed to.

House bill No. 24 (file No. 7), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 8, Chap. 112, of Howell's statutes, entitled "Water Power Companies," being compiler's Sec. 3881 of Howell's annotated statutes;

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Dudley	Mr. Moore, E. W.
Allison	Edgar	Moore, M. G.
Alward	Eikhoff	Niedermeier
Anderson	Foote	Oberdorffer
Atkinson	Fuller	Otis
Babcock, H.	Gibson	Perry
Belknap	Gillam	Peters
Bemis	Goodell	Petrowsky
Billings	Goodyear	Powers
Bricker	Green	Putney
Bryan	Harris	Rullison
Cahoon	Herrig	Shepard, F. M.
Caldwell	Hofmeister	Shepherd, F.
Campbell	Jackson	Shisler
Clute	Kimmis	Smith
Coad	Lee	Stewart
Connors	Madill	Tefft
Cousins	Marsilje	Van Camp
Crippen	Mayer	Vought
Dickinson, J. H.	McGill	Weier
Dickinson, L. D.	Miller	Widoe
Donovan	Molster	Speaker

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NAYS.

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Title agreed to.

House bill No. 178 (file No. 26), entitled

A bill to allow the spearing of fish;

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Dudley	Mr. Moore, M. G.
Allison	Edgar	Niedermeier
Alward	Eikhoff	Oberdorffer
Anderson	Foote	Otis
Atkinson	Fuller	Perry
Babcock, C. G.	Gibson	Peters
Babcock, H.	Gillam	Petrowsky
Belknap	Goodell	Powers
Bemis	Goodyear	Putney
Billings	Green	Rulison
Bricker	Harris	Savage
Bryan	Herrig	Shepard, F. M.
Cahoon	Hofmeister	Shepherd, F.
Caldwell	Kelly	Shisler
Camburn	Kimmis	Smith
Campbell	Lee	Stewart
Clute	Madill	Tefft
Coad	Marsilje	Van Camp
Connors	Mayer	Vought
Cousins	McGill	Washer
Crippen	Miller	Weier
Dickinson, J. H.	Molster	Widoe
Dickinson, L. D.	Moore, E. W.	Speaker
Donovan		

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NAYS.

Mr. Jackson

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Foote,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Gillam,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order, whereupon

The Speaker called Mr. Otis to the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose and, through their chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following:

A bill to prevent publishers of newspapers or periodicals from collecting any money for any newspapers or periodicals sent through the mail for a longer period than that subscribed for or ordered, except as herein-after expressly stipulated in this bill;

And have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that it be referred to the committee on Judiciary.

L. F. Otis,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Kimmis,

The House concurred in the recommendation of the committee relative to the bill, and it was referred to the committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Anderson,

The House took a recess until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock p. m.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll call: quorum present.

On motion of Mr. Goodell,

Leave of absence was granted to himself for the afternoon.

On motion of Mr. Bryan,

Leave of absence was granted to himself for the afternoon.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 128. By Mr. Van Camp: Petition of numerous citizens of Benton Harbor asking for some efficient protection from empiricism and quackery,

On demand of Mr. Van Camp,

The petition was read at length and spread at large on the Journal, as follows:

To the Honorable the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled:

We, the undersigned, citizens and taxpayers of the town of Benton Harbor, county of Berrien, most respectfully petition your honorable body to pass some efficient law for the protection of the citizens of this State from empiricism and quackery. For this purpose we believe a board for examination and registration in medicine, consisting of six or more members, should be established, to be appointed from among the best educated and most scientific physicians of the State, whose duty it shall be to examine as to the qualifications of all future candidates, and reject all who are not qualified for the duties of physicians, and to grant licenses to all applicants who are found sufficiently qualified. It being against the policy of this government to recognize sects in making appointments for public service, we believe such a board should be non-sectarian, and we remonstrate against the passage of any bill for the

above purpose which specifies any particular school or pathy. We believe the simple title of Doctor of Medicine is broad enough to cover all the different theories in medicine, and while adherence to any particular system should not be a barrier to an appointment no preference should be shown on that account, and the persons chosen to act on this board should not be selected as representatives of a sect, but because of their pre-eminence in the medical sciences, and their upright character as citizens.

We believe such a law would be retroactive as regards those practitioners that have been driven from other states by the operation of a similar law, and who are now engaged in medical practice in this commonwealth. We believe that no good government should ignore the importance of the healing art, or fail to protect its citizens from the imposition of quackery. If it is made a felony to forge a bill of exchange, it ought to be made equally a crime to forge a medical title, and with it impose upon the credulity of the sick and afflicted. We believe, further, that legislation in Michigan has been remiss in this respect, and that failure to pass a proper law for the protection of the people is the reason why this State is so overrun with quacks who have been driven from other states where a more enlightened policy has prevailed. We believe that such legislation in this State has been prevented by certain sectarian practitioners who have opposed legislation unless they could have absolute control of medical examinations and the licensing of candidates.

We believe that the long suffering of the people in this matter should cease, and that it is the duty of your honorable body to take this matter in hand and decide yourselves what enactment is necessary for the protection of the people, and without waiting further, to ignore the claims of sectarianism and appoint such men on the medical board as are best qualified to perform the duties of such an important office.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 12, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 48 (file No. 10), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 95, session laws of 1873, entitled "An act to regulate and define the duties of the judge of probate in certain cases," as amended by act No. 47 of the session laws of 1895, the same being Sec. 6809 of Howell's annotated statutes;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

NOTICES.

Mr. Camburn gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 4 of act No. 117 of the public acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the control and management of the Industrial Home for Girls, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict with the provisions of this act."

Mr. Fuller gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend act No. 484 of the local acts of 1889, so as to allow the board of education of the township of Burt, Alger county, to bond the township for school purposes.

Mr. Fuller gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to legalize certain school bonds issued by the board of education of the township of Burt, in the county of Alger.

Mr. Washer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend act 193 of the session laws of 1895, approved May 22, 1895, entitled "An act to prohibit and prevent adulteration, fraud and deception in the manufacture and sale of articles of food and drink.

Mr. Washer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend act 211 of the session laws of 1893, approved June 2, 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of a Dairy and Food Commissioner, and to define his powers and duties and fix his compensation," as amended by act 245 of the session laws of 1895, approved June 1, 1895.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. January, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 334, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 7247 and 7248 of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan, being Secs. 5679 and 5680 of the compiled laws of 1871, relative to the eligibility of circuit judges to practice law in certain cases, as heretofore amended.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Elkhoff, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House joint resolution No. 15, entitled

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to Sec. 3, Art. 18, of the constitution of this State relative to the confinement and employment of convicts.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Labor.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Edgar offered the following:

Concurrent resolution concerning the boundary line between the States of Michigan and Ohio:

WHEREAS, It appears that the boundary line between Michigan and Ohio, as to the exact location of such line, upon the part of the citizens residing along said line is constantly in dispute, proving that such line should be more clearly defined; therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That the Governor of the State of Michigan is hereby authorized and empowered to appoint a commission of three, residents of the State, of whom the Governor shall be ex officio member, to act with a similar commission on the part of Ohio for the purpose of fully defining the exact rights of either State of the land in question. The question to be carefully inquired into as shown by the records of both States and, if it be necessary for final action, the findings of this joint commission be submitted to the United States government for definite understanding and establishment and permanently marking of the boundary line.

Laid over one day under the rules.

Mr. Molster moved that the House adjourn;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Cousins moved that the House go into committee of the whole on the general order;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Kelly moved that the House adjourn;

Which motion prevailed, and

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until 4:30 o'clock p. m. on Monday next.

Lansing, Monday, February 15, 1897.

The House met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. Allison, Anderson, Atkinson, H. Babcock, Buskirk, Caldwell, Camburn, Colvin, Connors, Davis, Eikhoff, Goodell, Jackson, Kelly, Lee, McGill, O'Dett, Pearson, Peek, Petrowsky, C. C. Phillips, M. F. Phillips, Sawyer, F. Shepherd, Stoneman, Wetherbee, Williams and Zimmerman.

On motion of Mr. Graham,

Leave of absence was granted to committee on Northern Michigan Asylum until Wednesday next.

On motion of Mr. Otis,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Buskirk until Thursday next.

On motion of Mr. Green,
Leave of absence was granted to all absentees for the day.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 129. By Mr. Weier: Petition of 196 citizens of Monroe asking the passage of the bill relative to public shooting grounds in Lake Erie.

Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

No. 130. By Mr. Weier: Petition of 197 citizens of Monroe county asking the passage of the bill relative to public shooting grounds in Lake Erie.

Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

No. 131. By Mr. Goodyear: Petition of the W. C. T. U. of Flushing, Genesee county, asking the passage of a "curfew law."

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 132. By Mr. Oberdorffer: Petition of Charles Dewell and 13 others relative to an agricultural experiment station in the upper peninsula.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 133. By Mr. Oberdorffer: Petition of W. D. Bigger and 41 others relative to an agricultural experiment station in the upper peninsula.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 134. By Mr. Chamberlain: Petition of Mrs. G. S. Bradley, State superintendent of narcotics, Mrs. Jane M. Kinney, State superintendent of the State organization of the W. C. T. U., several hundred members of the same organization, scores of Christian ministers, school principals and teachers, praying for the passage of the bill prohibiting the manufacture, sale and keeping for sale of cigarettes, cigarette paper and material within this State.

On demand of Mr. Chamberlain,

The petition was read at length and spread at large on the Journal, as follows:

Inasmuch as deterioration of character and health of our citizens must seriously interfere with national prosperity and security, and believing from the numerous and increasing instances of death and insanity resulting from the cigarette habit that the future of our public is greatly endangered thereby; therefore we, the officers and members of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union do earnestly pray that your honorable body enact such a law as shall forever prohibit the manufacture and sale of cigarettes within the limits of the State jurisdiction, with all needful provisions for enforcement of the same.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 135. By Mr. Chamberlain: Memorial from Co. "H," Fifth Infantry, of Ironwood, Mich., petitioning for the enactment of a bill for the relief of privates Kelly and Lent of Co. "E," First Infantry, Lansing, who were maimed for life in the line of duty at the State encampment of 1895, held at Island Lake, Michigan.

Referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

No. 136. By Mr. Chamberlain: Memorial from Professors T. B. Hartley, Bessemer, L. L. Wright, Ironwood, Richard Hardy, Ishpeming, Anna M. Chandler, Marquette, and seventeen other school principals,

superintendents and commissioners, of the upper peninsula, praying for the passage of the bill providing for the establishment and maintenance of a Normal School in the upper peninsula of this State.

Referred to the committee on Education.

No. 137. By Mr. Fleischhauer: Remonstrance of Edwin H. Pace and 310 others against the disorganization of Lake county.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 138. By Mr. Donovan: Petition of W. C. T. U. of Mason, Ingham county, asking for the passage of a curfew law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on General Taxation:

The committee on General Taxation, to whom was referred

House bill No. 141, entitled

A bill to provide for the taxation of inheritances, transfers of property by will, transfer of property by the inter-state laws of this State or transfers of property by deed, grant, bargain, rule or gift made in contemplation of the death of the grantor, vendor, or donor or intended to take effect in possession or enjoyment at or after such death;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

H. K. Gustin,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Gustin,

The request was granted, and the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee.

NOTICES.

Mr. Harris gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce.

A bill to vacate the township of Chandler No. 2 in Charlevoix county and attach the same to the township of Peaine.

Mr. Harris gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to vacate the township of Galilee in Charlevoix county and attach the same to the township of Peaine.

Mr. Lusk gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the township of Arenac, in the county of Arenac, to borrow money upon its bonds for the improvement with stone of certain highways in that township and to appoint a special commissioner to make such improvements.

Mr. Lusk gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill amending the law respecting the appointment of notaries public, fee for commission, etc.

Mr. Smith gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Secs. 2 and 25 of act No. 206 of the public acts of 1893, relative to mineral estates.

Mr. Mayer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the extension of Jerome street, in the city of Lansing, across lands now owned by the State of Michigan.

Mr. Mayer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill relative to the granting of licenses to hawkers, peddlers and pawnbrokers.

Mr. Savage gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to repeal act No. 65, session laws of 1869, and all amendatory acts thereto, relative to geological survey, being Chap. 208 of Howell's annotated statutes.

Mr. Savage gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 5 of act No. 196 of the public acts of 1893, entitled "An act to regulate the possession, use and sale of game."

Mr. Foster gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Secs. 1, 5 and 6 of act No. 209 of the public acts of 1887, entitled "An act providing for the employment, defining the duties and fixing the compensation of a stenographer for the thirteenth judicial circuit, State of Michigan," approved June 22, 1887, the same being Sec. 6534a2 of Howell's annotated statutes.

Mr. Goodyear gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 9584 of Howell's annotated statutes relative to view of dead bodies.

Mr. Goodyear gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the compulsory education of the blind.

Mr. Gustin gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to detach certain territory from the county of Montmorency and attach the same to the county of Alpena.

Mr. Gustin gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A joint resolution for the relief of John Staley.

Mr. Graham gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 6247 of Howell's annotated statutes relative to divorce.

Mr. Graham gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the construction of a bridge across the Grand river in the township of Plainfield, county of Kent.

Mr. Donovan gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 7759 of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan.

Mr. Donovan gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the Midland County Agricultural Society, of Midland county, Michigan, to issue its bonds in the sum of \$1,500, to pay the indebtedness of said society and to improve its buildings and grounds.

Mr. Donovan gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 580 of Howell's annotated statutes in relation to the appointment of crier of the circuit courts.

Mr. Oberdorffer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of act No. 264 of the public acts of 1889, being an act entitled "An act relative to disorderly persons, and to repeal Chap. 53 of the compiled laws of 1871, as amended by the several acts amendatory thereof," approved July 5, 1889, the same being Sec. 1997a1 of Howell's annotated statutes, as amended by act No. 190 of the public act of 1895, approved May 22, 1895.

Mr. Oberdorffer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 18 of Chap. 245 of the compiled laws of 1871, being compiler's Sec. 7569 and compiler's Sec. 9140 of Howell's annotated statutes, relative to offenses against property, as amended by the several acts amendatory thereof.

Mr. Oberdorffer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to regulate the employment and conduct of prisoners sentenced to the various county jails of this State, and to authorize the boards of supervisors of such counties to carry out the provisions of this act.

Mr. M. G. Moore gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 2, act No. 77, of the public acts of 1891, approved May 13, 1891, entitled "An act to provide for the adoption and change of name of minors, and for making them heirs at law of the person or persons adopting them, and to repeal act No. 144 of the public acts of 1887, relative to adoption and change of name of minors, and making them heirs at law of the person or persons adopting them."

Mr. Gillam gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the construction of a drain in the township of Au Gres, Arenac county, from Duck Lake to Saginaw bay, and authorizing the board of control of State swamp lands to make an appropriation of State swamp lands for said purpose.

Mr. Adams gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 5 of act No. 205 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to regulate the admission to practice of attorneys, solicitors and counselors, to provide a board of examiners and to repeal conflicting acts."

Mr. Adams gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of Chap. 93 of the revised statutes of 1846, as amended by act No. 173 of the session laws of 1855, entitled "Of courts held by justices of the peace," the same being Sec. 6814 of Howell's annotated statutes.

Mr. Adams gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the appraisement of real estate or any interest therein offered for sale, at mortgage sale, sheriff sale, or chancery sale, and to prohibit the sale thereof at less than two-thirds of its appraised value.

Mr. Adams gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 8 of the act approved February 16, 1857, entitled "An act for the incorporation of musical societies," being Sec. 4471, Howell's statutes.

Mr. Fuller gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for making the president of the village of Manistique ex officio a member of the board of supervisors of Schoolcraft county.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Chamberlain, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 335, entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the relief of sufferers by the great fire of 1896, in Ontonagon village, of this State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Chamberlain, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 336, entitled

A bill to re-incorporate the city of Ironwood, in the county of Gogebic, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Chamberlain, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 337, entitled

A bill in relation to police matrons in the several cities of the State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Chamberlain, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 338, entitled

A bill to establish a reformatory prison for women.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Dudley, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 339, entitled

A bill to limit the liability of sureties on bonds given on appeal from justice courts.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Molster, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 340, entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of labor associations.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Labor.

Mr. Kerr, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 341, entitled

A bill to authorize the township of James, in Saginaw county, to borrow money on its bonds to build a pier under the Merrill bridge in said township.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. M. G. Moore, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 342 entitled

A bill to amend act No. 119 of the public acts of 1893, as amended by act No. 150 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to define what shall constitute fraternal beneficiary societies, orders or associations; to provide for their incorporation and the regulation of their business, and for the punishment for violation of the provisions of the act of their incorporation, and to repeal all existing acts inconsistent therewith," by adding two new sections thereto to stand as Secs. 22 and 23.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Insurance.

Mr. Crippen, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 343, entitled

A bill to authorize the city of Iron Mountain to appropriate money for the construction and maintenance of a highway through the township of Breitung in the county of Dickinson.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Bates, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 344, entitled

A bill to revise and amend the charter of the city of Flint.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Rulison, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 345, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 5 and 8 of act No. 70 of the public acts of the legislature of the State of Michigan of the year 1885, entitled "An act to establish and regulate a mining school in the upper peninsula," approved May 1, 1885.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on School of Mines.

Mr. Scully, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 346, entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of temperance volunteers' associations within the State of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Religious and Benevolent Societies.

Mr. Fuller, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 347, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 14 and repeal Sec. 18 of act No. 190 of the public acts of 1891, entitled "An act to prescribe the manner of conducting and to prevent fraud, and (deception) deceptions at elections in this State," approved July 3, 1891, as subsequently amended, and to add to said act as amended, a new section to stand as Sec. 48, so as to provide for a separate ballot containing the constitutional amendments and other questions to be submitted at such elections.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Elections.

Mr. Van Camp (by request), previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 348, entitled

A bill to provide for the transfer of causes and proceedings, both civil and criminal, in justices' courts, and to repeal all acts inconsistent herewith.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Lusk, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 349, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of act No. 108 of the public acts of 1889, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of trust, deposit and security companies and to repeal act No. 58 of the session laws of 1871, approved March 29, 1871, entitled 'An act to provide for the incorporation of trust, deposit and security companies,' being Chap. 88 of Howell's annotated statutes; also to repeal act No. 123 of session laws of 1883, approved May 25, 1883, entitled 'An act to amend Sec. 9 of act 58 of the session laws of 1871,' " approved March 29, 1871, being compiler's Sec. 2290, relative to the corporate rights of trust, deposit and security companies.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Lusk, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 350, entitled

A bill to protect the professional title and degrees of doctors of veterinary medicine and surgery, and its various branches, and to restrict the use of such title and its abbreviation to regular graduates of recognized colleges or schools of veterinary medicine and surgery, to create a State

Veterinary Board, and provide for registration of doctors of veterinary medicine and surgery.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Gibson, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 351, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of Chap. 11 of act No. 434 of the session laws of 1895, entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Three Rivers and to repeal act No. 161 of the session laws of 1855, entitled 'An act to incorporate the vilage of Three Rivers,' approved February 13, 1855, and all amendments thereto."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Perry, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 352, entitled

A bill to provide for the publication of the annual report of the Michigan Academy of Science.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Printing.

Mr. Donovan, pervious notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 353, entitled

A bill to provide for the compensation and to prescribe the duties of certain officers in the county of Bay.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Perry offered the following:

Resolved, That Colonel C. V. De Land, State Tax Statistician, be requested to address the members of the legislature in Representative Hall on Wednesday evening, February 17, at 7:30 p. m. on the subject of taxation, the State tax laws, and proposed amendments thereto, and that the Clerk of this House be requested to send proper notice thereof to the Honorable the Senate;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Bates moved to take from the table,

House bill No. 121 (file No. 19), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 6 of act 187 of the session laws of 1887, approved June 17, 1887, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of co-operative and mutual benefit associations, and to define the powers and duties and regulate the transaction of the business of all such corporations and associations doing business within this State," and to add two new sections thereto to stand as Secs. 32 and 33;

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on the passage of the bill.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Gibson	Mr. Perry
Alward	Gillam	Peters
Babcock, C. G.	Goodyear	Putney
Bates	Graham	Reed
Belknap	Green	Rulison
Bemis	Gustin	Savage
Bricker	Hammond	Scully
Bryan	Harris	Shepard, F. M.
Cahoon	Herrig	Shisler
Campbell	Kerr	Smith
Chamberlain	Kimmis	Tefft
Cousins	Lusk	Van Camp
Crippen	Marsilje	Vought
Dickinson, L. D.	Mayer	Washer
Donovan	Miller	Weier
Dudley	Molster	Whitney
Edgar	Moore, M. G.	Widoe
Fleischhauer	Oberdorffer	Wing
Fuller	Otis	Speaker

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Title agreed to.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Graham,

The House went into committee of the whole on the general order, whereupon

The Speaker called Mr. M. G. Moore to the chair.

After some time spent therein the committee rose and, through their chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following:

House bill No. 63 (file No. 21), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 364, Chap. 10, of the compiled laws of 1857, and the several acts amendatory thereof, relative to boards of supervisors, the same being Sec. 502 of Howell's annotated statutes of the State of Michigan;

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend its passage.

M. G. Moore,

Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

On motion of Mr. Goodell,

Leave of absence was granted to himself indefinitely.

On motion of Mr. Peters.

Leave of absence was granted to the committee on Industrial Home for Girls until Thursday next.

On motion of Mr. Savage,

The House took a recess until 8 o'clock this evening.

EVENING SESSION.

8 o'clock p. m.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

Mr. Smith moved that a committee of three be appointed to notify the Senate that the House is in readiness to receive them in joint convention;

Which motion prevailed.

The Speaker announced as such committee Messrs. Smith, C. C. Phillips and C. G. Babcock.

After a short absence the committee returned and announced that they had performed the duty assigned them and were discharged.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced the Honorable the Senate, who were conducted to seats.

PROCEEDINGS IN JOINT CONVENTION.

The joint convention was called to order by Hon. Thomas Dunstan, Lieutenant Governor and President of the Senate.

The roll of the Senate was called by the Secretary thereof and a quorum of the Senators was present.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk thereof and a quorum of the members were present.

Mr. Chamberlain moved that a committee of five be appointed to invite the attendance of the distinguished speakers of the evening on the joint convention;

Which motion prevailed.

The President announced as such committee, Senators Latimer and Hughes and Representatives Chamberlain, Gustin and Donovan.

After a short absence, the committee returned and reported the speakers of the evening in attendance, and were discharged.

The President introduced General William M. Curtis, Member of Congress from New York, who then addressed the joint convention on the subject of "Capital Punishment."

After which,

The President introduced Senor Gonzalo de Quesada, Charge de Affairs of the Cuban Republic, who addressed the joint convention on "The Cuban Republic."

After which,

Senor Albertini, Secretary of Legation, briefly addressed the joint convention.

Senator Mason moved that a vote of thanks be tendered to the speakers of the evening, and that it is the sense of the joint convention that Cuba ought to be free and independent.

Which was adopted by an unanimous vote.

Senator Covell moved that the joint convention adjourn.

Which motion prevailed.

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate,

Lewis M. Miller,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.
and Secretaries of the Joint Convention.

The Senators having retired,

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

Mr. Sawyer addressed the chair, and being recognized, presented, in fitting words, to Representative Chamberlain and his bride, a silver tea set, water set, and forks and spoons, on behalf of the members of the House, and to Mrs. Chamberlain, on behalf of the messenger boys of the House, a silver vase and bouquet;

In acknowledgment of which,

Mr. Chamberlain addressed words of hearty thanks to the House;

After which,

On motion of Mr. Foote,

The House adjourned.



Lansing, Tuesday, February 16, 1897.

The House met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Miller.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. Camburn, Davis, J. H. Dickinson, Edgar, Gustin, Lee, Lusk, E. W. Moore, M. F. Phillips and Zimmerman.

On motion of Mr. Kelley,

Leave of absence was granted to all absentees for the day.

On motion of Mr. Hofmeister

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Camburn until Thursday next.

On motion of Mr. Foote,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Davis indefinitely on account of sickness.

On motion of Mr. Madill,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Lee until Thursday next.

On motion of Mr. Graham,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Edgar until Thursday next.

On motion of Mr. M. G. Moore,
Leave of absence was granted to himself until Thursday next.
On motion of Mr. M. G. Moore,
Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Savage until Thursday next.
On motion of Mr. McGill,
Leave of absence was granted to the committee on the Institution for the Deaf until Friday next.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 139. By Mr. Sawyer: Petition of druggists of Ann Arbor relative to proposed legislation.

On demand of Mr. Sawyer,
The petition was read at length and spread at large on the Journal as follows:

We, the druggists of Ann Arbor, are opposed to the bill before the legislature, known as the House bill No. 66, to amend the pharmacy law so that all physicians may be registered as pharmacists without an examination. We oppose this because we do not think it is a wise move for the people. The law as it now stands allows the physician to dispense his own medicines. The requirements of the Michigan Board of Pharmacy for granting registered pharmacist certificates is nothing more than every man that is practicing medicine should know, if he is well posted in his profession. We do not see the necessity of changing the law in this respect. The expense for taking the examination is very light, and as mentioned before, any person well versed in the medical profession would find no trouble passing the board's requirements.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 140. By Mr. Sawyer: Petition of the executive committee of the Ann Arbor Cycle Club asking special legislation in behalf of cyclists.

On demand of Mr. Sawyer,
The petition was read at length and spread at large on the Journal, as follows:

We, the undersigned executive committee of the Ann Arbor Cycle Club, an organization numbering two hundred wheelmen, having been requested so to do by a unanimous vote of said club, respectfully petition you to enact into law House bill No. 150, which defines and construes the term "baggage" and "ordinary baggage" to include a bicycle belonging to a passenger traveling upon the cars.

Referred to the committee on Railroads.

No. 141. By Mr. F. M. Shepard: Petition of J. J. Mackey and 118 others against the passage of the two cent railroad fare bill.

Referred to the committee on Railroads.

No. 142. By Mr. Hammond: Petition of Dr. Mason W. Gray of Pontiac relative to proposed medical legislation.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 143. By Mr. Hammond: Petition of citizens of Pontiac relative to proposed medical legislation.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 144. By Mr. Eikhoff: Resolution of the Stove Mounters' Union of Detroit in favor of the passage of House bill No. 61.

Referred to the committee on Labor.

No. 145. By Mr. Jackson: Petition of J. T. Daniels and 50 others of Essex, Clinton county, relative to "county salaries bill."

Referred to committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 146. By Mr. Oberdorffer: Petition of Henry Spencer and 66 others of Menominee county asking for the establishment of an agricultural experiment station in the upper peninsula.

Referred to committee on Agricultural College.

No. 147. By Mr. Oberdorffer: Petition of George Harter and 16 others of Menominee county asking for the establishment of an agricultural experiment station in the upper peninsula.

Referred to committee on Agricultural College.

No. 148. By Mr. Coad: Petition of Rev. N. N. Clark and 272 others praying for the passage of House bill No. 268 in relation to the manufacture and sale of cigarettes.

Referred to committee on Public Health.

No. 149. By Mr. F. Shepherd: Memorial of the board of supervisors of Emmet county for the repeal of local act No. 451 of the session laws of 1895.

Referred to committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 150. By Mr. Shepherd: Petition of W. S. Spencer and 61 other citizens of Emmet county for the passage of a bill regulating the taking of speckled trout and grayling in Maple river, in Emmet county.

Referred to committee on Fisheries and Game.

No. 151. By Mr. F. Shepherd: Petition of D. C. Pelton and 35 other citizens of Cheboygan county for the passage of a law for the protection of the citizens of the State from empiricism and quackery.

Referred to committee on Public Health.

No. 152. By Mr. Fleischhauer: Petition of John V. Cockerton and 24 others asking that the open season for trout and partridge be made earlier in the year.

Referred to committee on Fisheries and Game.

No. 153. By Mr. Van Camp: Petition of the citizens of Benton Harbor asking for the passage of the medical bill.

Referred to committee on Public Health.

No. 154. By Mr. Sawyer: Memorial of the Salem Farmers' Club relative to special appropriations.

On demand of Mr. Sawyer,

The memorial was read at length and spread at large on the Journal, as follows:

To the Senate and House of Representatives, State of Michigan:

At a meeting of the Salem Farmers' Club held February 3, the following resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS, It has come to our notice that the State Poultry Association intended to ask the present legislature for an appropriation of two thousand dollars, and that other associations are likely to follow their example; therefore be it

Resolved, That we, the members of the Salem Farmers' Club, are opposed to all such special appropriations.

(Signed)

Committee,
By H. W. Smith,
Chairman.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 155. By Mr. Sawyer: Memorial of R. L. Crane endorsed by 12 others in relation to deer hunting.

Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on Private Corporations:

The committee on Private Corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 173, entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of the Finnish Temperance Friends' Association of America;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House and recommend that the bill be referred to the committee on Insurance.

M. G. Moore,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Smith,

The bill was referred as requested by the committee to the committee on Insurance.

By the committee on Private Corporations:

The committee on Private Corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 285, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of slack water companies, for the improvement of rivers in the counties of St. Joseph, Cass, Berrien and Cheboygan, and defining their powers and duties," approved March 25, 1867, and being act No. 411 of the session laws of 1867, as amended by act No. 110 of the session laws of 1871, approved April 13, 1871, by adding thereto two new sections to stand as Secs. 24 and 25;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

M. G. Moore,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Judiciary:

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 157, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 402 of the local acts of the State of Michigan, for the year 1895, being an act entitled "An act to amend Sec. 2 of act No. 379 of the local acts of the State of Michigan for the year 1891, entitled 'An act to provide for the compensation and to prescribe the duties of certain officers of the county of Kent,'" approved June 26, 1891;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without

amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. J. Sawyer,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Insurance:

The committee on Insurance, to whom was referred

House bill No. 333, entitled

A bill to allow and authorize the deposit of a guaranty fund in the State treasury by fraternal beneficiary societies, orders and associations, doing business in this State;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

W. R. Bates,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Judiciary:

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred

House joint resolution No. 14, entitled

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Sec. 1 of Art. 15 of the constitution of the State of Michigan, and to strike out and repeal Secs. 13 and 14 of said Art. 15, relative to the formation of corporations;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and request that the joint resolution be printed in the Journal, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. J. Sawyer,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Sawyer,

The joint resolution was ordered printed in the Journal, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

The following is the joint resolution:

House joint resolution No. 14, entitled

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to Sec. 1 of Art. 15 of the constitution of the State of Michigan, and to strike out and repeal Secs. 13 and 14 of said Art. 15, relative to the formation of corporations:

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan, That there shall be substituted to the electors of this State for approval or rejection the following amendment to Sec. 1 of Art. 15 of the constitution of this State, and the proposition to strike out and repeal Secs. 13 and 14 of said Art. 15, that is to say, that Sec. 1 of Art. 15 of said constitution be amended to read as follows:

Section 1. Corporations [whether public or private], may be formed under general laws, but shall not be created by special acts. The legislature, however, may, by a vote of two-thirds of the members elected to each House, create a single bank with branches. All laws passed by the legislature for the formation of corporations, either public or private, except municipal corporations may be amended, altered or repealed by the legislature, but all charters of municipal corporations shall only be amended in the manner hereinafter provided. The legislature shall classify, for purposes of incorporation, all cities into four classes and shall enact suitable general laws for their incorporation. A general law shall also be enacted for the incorporation of villages. All special or general acts of incorporation of cities or villages at present in force or hereafter adopted shall continue in full force and effect until altered or repealed in the manner hereinafter prescribed. The charter of any city or village, whether incorporated by special act of the legislature heretofore passed, or incorporated under the general laws of the State, may be amended by the addition of other or different provisions or by the striking out of any of the existing provisions, in the following manner: Upon the petition signed by 1,000 electors of a city of the first class, 750 electors of a city of the second class, 500 electors of a city of the third class, 100 electors of a city of the fourth class or twenty per cent of the electors of a village as shown by the last preceding registration, the common council or board of trustees may, by a two-thirds vote of all the members elect, adopt a resolution submitting a proposed amendment or amendments to the electors of such city or village at a regular or a special election duly called for that purpose. Not more than one special election shall be held in any one year. Such resolution shall distinctly set forth the proposed amendment or amendments, shall fix the time when the same are to take effect if ratified, and shall be entered at length on the journal of the common council or board of trustees, together with the names of the aldermen or trustees voting thereon. The proposed amendment or amendments shall also be published once each week for six successive weeks immediately preceding the election in one or more newspapers published and circulating in the city or village, to be designated by the common council or board of trustees, if any newspaper be published in such city or village, and if not, the proposed amendment shall be conspicuously posted in ten of the most public places in such city or village, for six successive weeks immediately preceding the election, to be designated by the common council or the board of trustees. Suitable forms of ballots for voting for or against the proposed amendment or amendments shall be prescribed in the resolution submitting the same, and the votes shall be canvassed and the returns made in the same manner as is prescribed in the case of the election of city or village officers. If such amendment or amendments are ratified by a majority of all electors voting thereon, they shall be deemed adopted and shall become a part of the charter of the city or village and shall take effect at the time prescribed in the resolution submitting the same. The legislature shall have sole power to limit or restrict the power of cities and villages in regard to taxation, borrowing money, contracting debts, and loaning their credit, and the powers of amendment herein granted shall not in any manner conflict with any of the provisions of the constitu-

tion of this State, or the constitution of the United States, nor affect the rights of the county or township in which any city or village may be located, nor shall any such amendment pertain to municipal courts of civil and criminal jurisdiction, the increase of the number of justices of the peace in cities or the representation of any city or village in the board of supervisors of the counties in which they may be situated, or the extension of the boundaries of any city or village. And the legislature shall only have power to enact special laws relating to cities and villages governing the aforesaid matters, in relation to which cities and villages are not permitted to amend their charters. Judicial officers of all cities and villages should be elected and no charter of any city or village shall be amended to the contrary. And that Secs. 13 and 14 of Art. 15 of the constitution of this State are hereby stricken out and repealed.

Resolved, That said constitutional amendment shall be submitted to the electors of this State at the election to take place on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, and the Secretary of State is hereby required to give notice of the same to the sheriffs of the several counties of this State at least fifteen days prior to said election, and to certify the same to the clerks of the several counties of this State as required by the general laws of the State, and the said sheriffs are directed to give the several notices required by law, and the board of election commissioners of each of the several counties in this State shall prepare the ballots for voting on this amendment in accordance with the general laws of the State, and shall designate said amendment on the official ballot as follows: "Amendment to the constitution relative to corporations," with the words "Yes" and "No" so arranged that the electors may vote for or against said amendment by means of such mark as is or may be prescribed by law. The votes shall in all respects be canvassed and returns made as in the election of State officers.

By the committee on Labor:

The committee on Labor, to whom was referred
House bill No. 340, entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of labor associations;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Henry Eikhoff,

Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Molster,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams
Allison
Alward
Anderson

Mr. Foote
Foster
Fuller
Goodell

Mr. Pearson
Peek
Perry
Petrowsky

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Goodyear	Mr. Phillips, C. C.
Babcock, C. G.	Graham	Powers
Babcock, H.	Green	Putney
Bates	Hammond	Reed
Belknap	Harris	Rulison
Bemis	Hofmeister	Scully
Billings	Jackson	Shepard, F. M.
Bryan	January	Shepherd, F.
Cahoon	Kelly	Shisler
Caldwell	Kerr	Stewart
Campbell	Kimmis	Stoneman
Clark	Madill	Tefft
Clute	Marsilje	Vought
Coad	Mayer	Washer
Colvin	McGill	Weier
Connors	Miller	Wetherbee
Cousins	Molster	Whitney
Crippen	Moore, M. G.	Widoe
Donovan	Oberdorffer	Williams
Dudley	O'Dett	Wing
Elkhoff	Otis	Speaker
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Molster,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

By the joint committee on Printing:

Your joint committee of the House and Senate, to whom was referred House resolution, as follows:

WHEREAS, It has been customary heretofore for the Legislature to order two editions of the publication known as the "Michigan Manual" or "Red Book;" and

WHEREAS, Such publication of two editions of said book entails additional and unnecessary expense to the State; and

WHEREAS, The benefits or convenience derived from the publication of two editions of said book are not nearly equal to the additional expense incurred in publishing two editions of said book; therefore

Resolved by the House (the Senate concurring), That the publication of the "Michigan Manual" for the session of 1897 of this Legislature be restricted to one edition, in such number and under such regulations as the joint committees of the House and Senate may fix upon and decide;

Respectfully beg leave to report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House amended so as to read as follows:

Resolved by the House (the Senate concurring), That there shall be printed one edition of the "Michigan Manual;" and be it further

Resolved, That the Secretary of State be, and is hereby authorized and directed, to cause to be published a sufficient number of the "Michigan

Manual" including those provided for by law, to be distributed as follows:

For distribution by each member of the Senate.....100 copies
For distribution by each member of the House..... 60 copies

And a further number sufficient to supply one copy to each public school in the State, not otherwise provided for.

And when so amended and concurred in recommend the same do pass and ask to be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

Richard Alward,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The report was concurred in and the resolution adopted.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor,

House bill No. 279, entitled

An act to provide for the extension, construction and maintenance of the Whitehall road and the Holton road, through the city of North Muskegon, same being county roads of the county of Muskegon, established by the board of county road commissioners of the county of Muskegon.

For which your committee hold the receipt of the Executive office dated February 16, 1897, at 9:10 o'clock a. m.

C. W. Perry,
Acting Chairman.

Report accepted.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 16, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved (the House concurring), That the joint session set for this evening at 8 o'clock be and the same is hereby adjourned to Thursday, February 18, at 7:30 o'clock p. m.;

Which has been adopted by the Senate, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The question being on concurring in the adoption of the resolution,
The resolution was adopted.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 16, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following joint resolution:

Senate joint resolution No. 11, entitled

A joint resolution to amend Sec. 10 of article 10 of the constitution of the State of Michigan so as to provide for a board of county auditors for the county of Kent;

Which has passed the Senate by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Graham,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor and the joint resolution was put upon its immediate passage.

The joint resolution having been read a third time and the question being upon its passage, pending the taking of the vote thereon,

Mr. Kelly moved that the joint resolution be referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order;

Which was withdrawn.

The joint resolution was then passed, two-thirds of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Fuller	Mr. Phillips, C. C.
Allison	Goodell	Powers
Alward	Goodyear	Putney
Anderson	Graham	Reed
Atkinson	Green	Rulison
Babcock, C. G.	Gustin	Savage
Babcock, H.	Hammond	Sawyer
Bemis	Harris	Scully
Billings	January	Shepard, F. M.
Bricker	Kelly	Shepherd, F.
Bryan	Kerr	Shisler
Cahoon	Kimmis	Smith
Caldwell	Marsilje	Stewart
Campbell	Mayer	Tefft
Clark	McGill	Van Camp
Clute	Miller	Vought
Coad	Molster	Washer
Colvin	Moore, M. G.	Weier
Connors	Oberdorffer	Wetherbee

Mr. Cousins	Mr. O'Dett	Mr. Whitney
Crippen	Otis	Widoe
Donovan	Pearson	Williams
Dudley	Peek	Wing
Fleischhauer	Perry	Zimmerman
Foster	Petrowsky	Speaker

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Graham,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

The following is the joint resolution:

Joint resolution to amend Sec. 10 of Art. 10 of the constitution of the State of Michigan so as to provide for a board of county auditors for the county of Kent:

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan, That the following amendment to the constitution of the State of Michigan be and the same is hereby proposed and submitted to the people of this State, that is to say, that Sec. 10 of Art. 10 of said constitution be amended so as to read as follows:

Sec. 10. The board of supervisors, or in the county of Wayne, and in the county of Kent, the board of county auditors shall have the exclusive power to prescribe and fix the compensation for all services rendered for, and to adjust all claims against their respective counties, and the sum so fixed or defined shall be subject to no appeal.

And be it further

Resolved, That said amendment shall be submitted to the people of this State at the election to be held on the first Monday in April in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, and that the Secretary of State is hereby required to give notice of the same to the sheriffs of the several counties of this State, at least twenty days prior to such election, and the said sheriffs shall be required to give notice to the several townships, the same as for the election of justices of the supreme court, and the said amendment shall be printed upon the official ballot used at such election as provided by law, as follows: "Amendment to the constitution to provide for a board of auditors for Kent county—YES []; NO []." All votes cast therefor shall be counted, canvassed and returned as for the election of a justice of the supreme court of this State.

NOTICES.

Mr. Wetherbee gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend act No. 156 of the public acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide a penalty for cruelty to children," and to repeal all existing acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act.

Mr. Wetherbee gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of act No. 137 of the session laws of 1849, entitled "An act to authorize proceedings against garnishees and for other purposes," being compiler's Sec. No. 8032 of Howell's annotated statutes.

Mr. O'Dett gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill empowering the village of Yale to bond for water works purposes.

Mr. Graham gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the formation of corporations for the prevention of cruelty to children, and animals, birds, and fowls.

Mr. Graham gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to incorporate the National Game, Bird and Fish Protective Association under the laws of the State of Michigan.

Mr. Graham gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to revise and amend the law for the protection of game.

Mr. Graham gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to abolish the superior court of Grand Rapids, and to provide for the transfer of the records of said court to the circuit court for the county of Kent.

Mr. Kimmis gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill providing that only female physicians and attendants shall be employed in caring for female patients confined in the insane asylums of Michigan.

Mr. Allison gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to prohibit making contracts payable in gold.

Mr. Bryan gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the construction and maintenance of fire escapes.

Mr. Marsilje gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 19 of Chap. 9 of act No. 3 of the public acts of 1895, being "An act to provide for the incorporation of villages within the State of Michigan, and defining their powers and duties."

Mr. Bryan gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to prohibit the use of living animals or the bodies of animals whose life has been taken for the purpose in any so-called scientific experiment or demonstration in any of the public schools in this State.

Mr. Bryan gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act for the incorporation of cities of the fourth class."

Mr. Davis (by Mr. Foote) gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill regulating the mesh of nets of commercial fishermen.

Mr. Foote gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide public ingress and egress to and from railroad depots.
Mr. Fleischhauer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to consolidate the school district No. 5, Yates township, and district No. 1 of Cherry Valley township, Lake county.

Mr. Adams gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill regulating the form of appeal bonds in certain chancery cases, and the measure of damage in actions thereon.

Mr. Campbell gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill making appropriations for the current expenses of the State Normal School.

Mr. Tefft gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to repeal act No. 284 of local acts of 1885, entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Hanover, in the county of Jackson."

Mr. Green gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to repeal act 37 of the public acts of the session of 1893.

Mr. Davis (by Mr. Foote) gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill for an appropriation to continue the work of the Board of Fish Commissioners.

Mr. Davis (by Mr. Foote) gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for licensing of pound and gill nets and seines of commercial fishermen.

Mr. Pearson gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for issuing bonds by the townships in the counties of St. Clair, Sanilac, Huron, Tuscola and Lapeer, for raising money to construct and maintain drains.

Mr. Clute gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of mutual insurance companies to insure against cyclones, wind storms and tornadoes, and define their powers and duties, being compiler's Sec. 134c, third Howell's annotated statutes, so as to permit the acceptance of risks in cities and villages."

Mr. Kelly gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to prohibit the sale of patent medicines, drugs or nostrums, until the formula is presented to and favorably passed upon by the State Board of Health.

Mr. Kelly gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to legalize taxes assessed in the city of Muskegon for the years 1890 to 1895 inclusive.

Mr. Lusk gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to change the name of the city of West Bay City to the name which formerly designated said city, namely, Wenona.

Mr. Scully gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 5764, Chapter 181, of the compiled laws of 1857, and the several acts amendatory thereof, relative to receiving stolen goods, the same being Sec. 9142 of Howell's annotated statutes of the State of Michigan.

Mr. Vought gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to incorporate grand and subordinate lodges of the Knights of the Ancient Temple of the State of Michigan.

Mr. Colvin gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Sec. 1 of Art. 7 of the constitution of this State relative to the qualifications of electors.

Mr. M. G. Moore gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 12 of act No. 232 of the public acts of 1885, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of all manufacturing companies, except such as are contemplated by act No. 42 of the session laws of 1867, which provides for the incorporation of persons or corporations engaged in the manufacture of salt, and mercantile companies, or any union of the two, and to fix the duties and liabilities of such corporations," as amended by act No. 164 of the public acts of 1895.

Mr. M. G. Moore gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 372 of the local acts of 1893, entitled (as amended) "An act to provide for placing on the retired list on reduced pay members of the metropolitan police force of the city of Detroit who shall have become disabled or incapacitated while in the active performance of official duty and members of said force and persons in the employ of the police board of said city of Detroit who after 25 years' faithful service shall have become permanently incapacitated from performing regular active duty."

Mr. January gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the construction and maintaining of bridges over race canals where the same divides a farm or crosses a highway, and to provide a penalty and damages for failure to construct and maintain such bridge.

Mr. Wetherbee gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 8 of act No. 124 of the public acts of 1891, approved June 12, 1891, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of regiments and companies of Deutscher Landwehr-Unterstützungs-Verein."

Mr. Wetherbee gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 9 of Chap. 157 of the compiled laws of 1871, the same being compiler's Sec. 5877 of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan, relative to examinations of persons suspected of having concealed,

embezzled, conveyed away or disposed of money, goods or chattels of deceased persons, and persons suspected of having in their possession or knowledge any deeds, conveyances, bonds, contracts or other writings, which contain evidence of or tend to disclose the right, title, interest or claims of deceased persons to any real or personal estate, or any claim or demand, or any last will and testament of deceased persons.

Mr. Shisler gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to regulate the licensing of dogs in townships.

Mr. Stoneman gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the protection of life and property against insecure steam boilers, and for the establishment of a system of inspection of steam boilers, and examining and licensing engineers, or boiler attendants.

Mr. F. Shepherd gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill authorizing the board of education of the city of Chéboygan to borrow money to pay floating indebtedness and to issue its bonds therefor.

Mr. Perry gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 44 of act 190 of the public acts of 1891, entitled "An act to prescribe the manner of conducting, and to prevent fraud and deception at elections in this State."

Mr. Sawyer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the incorporation of the Students' Christian Association of the University of Michigan.

Mr. Perry gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the punishment of assaults upon females in certain cases.

Mr. Weier gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend charter of fourth class cities, providing for collection of city taxes in July.

Mr. M. G. Moore gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend act No. 35 of the session laws of 1867, entitled "An act to provide for the formation of street railway companies," as amended by act No. 222 of the session laws of 1889.

Mr. Gustin gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to organize the township of Mentor in the county of Oscoda into a single school district.

Mr. Gustin gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to vacate the township of Greenwood in the county of Oscoda and to incorporate its territory within the adjoining township of Elmer, in Oscoda county, and organize the township of Elmer, in the county of Oscoda, into a union school district.

Mr. Clark gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to abolish the State Live Stock Sanitary Commission and to impose the duties heretofore required of such commission on the State Veterinarian.

Mr. Donovan gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to revise and amend an act entitled 'An act to organize the union school district of Bay City,' approved April 13, 1857," and to add one new section thereto, to stand as Sec. 20.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Sawyer, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 354, entitled

A bill to authorize the formation of a corporation for the prevention of cruelty to children and animals.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Sawyer, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 355, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of "An act establishing a State agency for the care of juvenile offenders," approved April 29, 1873, as amended by Sec. No. 178 of the public acts of 1887, being Sec. 9895 of Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Sawyer, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 356, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 8218 of the 3d volume of Howell's annotated statutes, relative to "proceedings by and against public bodies having certain corporate powers, and by and against officers representing them."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Sawyer, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 357, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 3 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of villages within the State of Michigan and defining their powers and duties," approved February 19, 1895, as follows, to wit: Chap. 3 by adding a new section to stand as Sec. 14; Sec. 6 of Chap. 5; Sec. 11 of Chap. 11; Sec. 8 of Chap. 12.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Village Corporations.

Mr. Sawyer, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 358, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 5 of an act entitled "An act to revise and consolidate the laws relative to the State Prison, to the State House of Correction, and branch of the State Prison in the upper peninsula, and to the House of Correction and Reformatory at Ionia, and the government and discipline thereof, and to repeal all acts inconsistent therewith," being act No. 118 of the public acts of the State of Michigan of the year 1893, approved May 26, 1893.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committees on State Prison, Upper Peninsula Prison and State House of Correction.

Mr. Sawyer, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 359, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 22 of act No. 220 of the public acts of 1889, entitled "An act to amend Secs. 21 and 22 of act No. 135 of the public acts of 1885, entitled 'An act to amend, revise and consolidate the laws organizing asylums for the insane, and regulating the care and management thereof, and of the inmates therein, and to repeal act No. 164, laws of 1859; also act 194, laws of 1877; also act 91, laws of 1873, and the acts amendatory thereto; also act 172, laws of 1873,' approved June 3, 1885," being compiler's Sec. 1930c1, third Vol. Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Adams, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 360, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 8 of the act approved February 16, 1857, entitled "An act for the incorporation of musical societies," being Sec. 4471, Howell's statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Adams, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 361, entitled

A bill to provide for the distribution of the estates of insolvents, the jurisdiction, powers and duties of certain courts and officers therein, the discharge of the debtor and the punishment of fraudulent and other prohibited acts in relation to the subject matter, being a general insolvency law.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Adams, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 362, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 5 of act No. 205 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to regulate the admission to practice of attorneys, solicitors and counselors, to provide for a board of examiners, and to repeal conflicting acts."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Adams, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 363, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of Chap. 93 of the revised statutes of 1846, as amended by act No. 173 of the session laws of 1855, entitled "Of courts held by justices of the peace," the same being Sec. 6814 of Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Adams, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 364, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 17 of act No. 313 of the session laws of 1887, entitled "An act to provide for the taxation and regulation of the business of manufacturing, selling, keeping for sale, furnishing, giving or delivering spirituous and intoxicating liquors and malt, brewed, or fermented liquors and vinous liquors in this State, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Molster, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 365, entitled

A bill to provide for the stamping of boots and shoes composed wholly or partly of an imitation leather.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Labor.

Mr. McGill, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 366, entitled

A bill to amend Chap. 117 of the revised statutes of the State of Michigan of 1846, entitled "Of proceedings against corporations in chancery, and acts amendatory thereto, being Chap. 281 of Howell's annotated statutes of the State of Michigan," by adding thereto five new sections to be known as Secs. 27, 28, 29, 30, and 31.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. C. C. Phillips, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 367, entitled

A bill to fix the powers and duties of the State Board of Education relative to the granting of teachers' certificates by the faculty of the Central Michigan Normal School.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Central Michigan Normal School.

Mr. Smith, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 368, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 2 and 25 of act No. 206 of the public acts of 1893, approved June 2, 1893.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Foster, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 369, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 1, 5 and 6 of act No. 209 of the public acts of 1887, entitled "An act providing for the employment, defining the duties and fixing the compensation of a stenographer for the 13th judicial circuit, State of Michigan," approved June 22, 1887, being Secs. 6534a2, 6534a6 and 6534a7 of Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Pearson, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 370, entitled

A bill to provide for the construction and maintenance of drains, and the assessment and collection of taxes therefor, and to repeal all other laws relative thereto.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Drainage.

Mr. Harris, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 371, entitled

A bill to vacate the township of Chandler, No. 2, in Charlevoix county, and attach the same to the township of Peaine of the same county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Harris,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Harris, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 372, entitled

A bill to vacate the township of Galilee, in the county of Charlevoix, and attach the same to the township of Peaine of the same county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Harris,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Oberdorffer, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 373, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 18 of Chap. 245 of the compiled laws of 1871, being compiler's Sec. 7569 and compiler's Sec. 9140 of Howell's annotated statutes, relative to offenses against property, as amended by the several acts amendatory thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Oberdorffer, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 374, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of act No. 264 of the public acts of 1889, being an act entitled "An act relative to disorderly persons, and to repeal Chap. 53 of the compiled laws of 1871, as amended by the several acts amenda-

tory thereof," approved July 5, 1889, the same being Sec. 1997a1 of Howell's annotated statutes, as amended by act No. 190 of the public acts of 1895, approved May 22, 1895.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Oberdorffer, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 375, entitled

A bill to regulate the employment and conduct of prisoners sentenced to the various county jails of this State, and to authorize the board of supervisors of such counties to carry out the provisions of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Rulison, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 376, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act 100 of the session laws of 1877, entitled "An act to compel parties engaged in securing ice to erect danger signals," said section being Sec. 9119 of Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Kelly, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 377, entitled

A bill to establish a homeopathic medical college in Detroit.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Public Health.

Mr. Kelly, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 378, entitled

A bill to provide for the supplying of State institutions with Michigan products.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Kelly,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Kelly, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 379, entitled

A bill to revise the charter of the city of Muskegon, being amendatory of "An act to reincorporate the city of Muskegon, to revise the charter of said city, and repeal all conflicting acts relating thereto," approved June 4, 1895.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Kelly,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Savage, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 380, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 5a of act No. 196 of the public acts of 1893 of the State of Michigan, being an act, entitled "An act to regulate the posses-

sion, use, transportation and sale of fish and game," as amended by act No. 223 of the public acts of 1895, approved May 31, 1895.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Peek, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 381, entitled

A bill to prescribe the liability of railroad corporations owning or operating a railroad in this State, for damages sustained by its agents or servants, by reason of the negligence of any other agent or servant thereof, when such damage is sustained within this State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Railroads.

Mr. Peek, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 382, entitled

A bill to prohibit any contractor or debtor from paying any money to a laborer in any saloon or place where spirituous, malt or fermented liquors are on sale.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Labor.

Mr. Mayer, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 383, entitled

A bill relative to the granting of licenses to hawkers, peddlers and pawnbrokers.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. F. Shepherd, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 384, entitled

A bill to provide for the renewal and reorganization of corporations, organized pursuant to the provisions of act No. 411 of the session laws of 1867, for the improvement of the navigation of any navigable river within the counties of St. Joseph, Cass, Berrien and Cheboygan, and for the creation of hydraulic power therein, and whose corporate existence is about to terminate or may have already terminated by operation of law.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. F. Shepherd, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 385, entitled

A bill to provide for the straightening, opening, deepening and widening of Mud creek in Hebron township, Cheboygan county, and making an appropriation of State swamp lands for the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Drainage.

Mr. F. Shepherd, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 386, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 9, Chap. 84, of the revised statutes of 1846, entitled "Of divorce," and being Sec. 6231 of Howell's statutes of Michigan as amended by act No. 202 of the public acts of 1895.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Fuller, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 387, entitled

A bill to provide for making the president of the village of Manistique, ex officio, a member of the board of supervisors of Schoolcraft county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Donovan, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 388, entitled

A bill to authorize the Midland County Agricultural Society of Midland county, Michigan, to issue its bonds in the sum of \$1,500, to pay the indebtedness of said society, and to improve its buildings and grounds.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Mr. Donovan, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 389, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 7291 of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Donovan, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 390, entitled

A bill to revise and amend act No. 346 of the local acts of 1881, entitled "An act to revise an act to incorporate the city of Bay City," approved March 13, 1881, as amended and revised by the several acts amendatory and revisionary thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Donovan, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 391, entitled

A bill to revise and amend "An act to incorporate the city of Bay City," approved March 21, 1865, as amended and revised by the several acts amendatory and revisionary thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Donovan, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 392, entitled

A bill to revise act No. 346 of the local acts of 1881, entitled "An act to revise and incorporate the city of Bay City," approved March 30, 1881, as amended and revised by the several acts amendatory and revisionary thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Donovan, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 393, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 580 of Howell's annotated statutes in relation to the appointment of criers of the circuit courts.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Donovan, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 394, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 7759 of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Goodyear, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 395, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 120 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to prevent the spearing of fish in the waters of Long lake, Genesee county."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Goodyear,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams

Allison

Anderson

Atkinson

Babcock, C. G.

Babcock, H.

Bates

Belknap

Bemis

Billings

Bricker

Caldwell

Campbell

Clark

Coad

Colvin

Connors

Consins

Crippen

Donovan

Dudley

Fleischhauer

Foster

Mr. Fuller

Goodyear

Graham

Green

Gustin

Hammond

Harris

Hofmeister

Jackson

January

Kelly

Kerr

Kimmis

Madill

Marsilje

Mayer

McGill

Miller

Molster

Oberdorffer

Otis

Pearson

Mr. Perry

Petrowsky

Phillips, C. C.

Putney

Reed

Rulison

Savage

Scully

Shepard, F. M.

Shepherd, F.

Shisler

Smith

Stewart

Van Camp

Vought

Washer.

Wetherbee

Whitney

Widoe

Williams

Wing

Speaker

NAYS.

Mr. Bryan
Cahoon

Mr. Clute
Goodell

Mr. O'Dett
Powers

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Mr. Goodyear moved that the bill be ordered to take immediate effect; Which motion did not prevail, two-thirds of all the members elect not voting therefor.

Mr. Donovan moved to reconsider the vote by which the House refused to give the bill immediate effect;

Which motion prevailed.

The question then being on ordering the bill to take immediate effect,

On motion of Mr. Donovan,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Goodyear, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 396, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 9584 of Howell's statutes of Michigan relative to view of dead bodies.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Public Health.

Mr. Allison, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 397, entitled

A bill to prohibit the shooting or catching of prairie chickens, otherwise known as pinnated grouse.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Graham, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 398, entitled

A bill to provide for the construction of a bridge across the Grand river, in the township of Plainfield, in the county of Kent, and for the raising of funds to defray the cost and expense thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Mr. Graham, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 399, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 6247 of Howell's annotated statutes of the State of Michigan relative to divorce.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Bemis, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 400, entitled

A bill to provide for a report and payment of a license fee by, and issuance of a license to, sleeping, drawing-room, parlor, palace and chair-car companies doing business in this State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Goodell, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 401, entitled

A bill to prevent monopolies in articles of general necessity, and to provide a penalty therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Goodell, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 402, entitled

A bill requiring bills of fare at all hotels and restaurants, programs at all places of amusements, and doctors' prescriptions to be written and printed in the English language.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Printing.

Mr. Goodell, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 403, entitled

A bill to extend and regulate the liabilities of employers to make compensation for personal injuries suffered by employes in their service.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary and Labor.

Mr. Savage, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 404, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 10 of Chap. 106 of the revised statutes of 1846, entitled "Of judgments and executions," being compiler's Sec. 7669 of Howell's annotated statutes, as amended by act No. 105 of the session laws of 1847.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Van Camp, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 405, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 8 of an act, entitled "An act to prevent the spread of contagious diseases of fruit trees," being act No. 109 of the session laws of 1895.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Horticulture.

Mr. Van Camp, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 406, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 4 of act No. 17 of the public acts of 1893, being an act entitled "An act to prescribe the manner of conducting, and to prevent fraud and deception at elections in this State," the same being act No. 190 of the public acts of 1891.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Elections.

Mr. Dudley, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House joint resolution No. 16, entitled

Joint resolution to allow members of the board of supervisors of Newaygo county compensation for time spent in extra session in investigating the books and general financial condition of said county in the disappearance from the clerk's office of certain records and files.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Dudley,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor and the joint resolution was put upon its immediate passage.

The joint resolution was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Foster	Mr. Peek
Allison	Fuller	Perry
Anderson	Goodell	Phillips, C. C.
Atkinson	Goodyear	Powers
Babcock, C. G.	Green	Putney
Babcock, H.	Gustin	Reed
Bates	Hammond	Rulison
Belknap	Harris	Savage
Bemis	Hofmeister	Scully
Billings	Jackson	Shepard, F. M.
Bricker	January	Shepherd, F.
Cahoon	Kelly	Shisler
Caldwell	Kerr	Smith
Campbell	Kimmis	Tefft
Clark	Marsilje	Van Camp
Clute	Mayer	Vought
Coad	McGill	Washer
Colvin	Miller	Weler
Connors	Molster	Wetherbee
Crippen	Moore, M. G.	Whitney
Donovan	Oberdorffer	Widoe
Dudley	O'Dett	Williams
Fleischhauer	Otis	Wing
Foote	Pearson	Speaker

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Title and preamble agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Dudley,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 63 (file No. 21), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 364, Chap. 10, of the compiled laws of 1857, and the several acts amendatory thereof, relative to boards of supervisors,

the same being Sec. 502 of Howell's annotated statutes of the State of Michigan;

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Fleischhauer	Mr. Perry
Alward	Fuller	Petrowsky
Anderson	Goodyear	Phillips, C. C.
Atkinson	Graham	Putney
Bates	Green	Reed
Bemis	Hammond	Rulison
Billings	Harris	Savage
Bryan	Hofmeister	Sawyer
Cahoon	Jackson	Shepard, F. M.
Caldwell	January	Shisler
Campbell	Kimmis	Smith
Clark	Marsilje	Stewart
Coad	Miller	Van Camp
Colvin	Moore, M. G.	Washer.
Connors	Oberdorffer	Widoe
Cousins	O'Dett	Williams
Crippen	Otis	Wing
Donovan	Pearson	Zimmerman
Dudley	Peek	Speaker
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Mr. Allison	Mr. Goodell	Mr. Shepherd, F.
Babcock, O. G.	Gustin	Tefft
Babcock, H.	Mayer	Vought
Belknap	McGill	Weiler
Bricker	Powers	Whitney
Clute	Scully	

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Title agreed to.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Chamberlain offered the following:

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That when the Legislature adjourns this week it stand adjourned to Tuesday, February 23, at 9 o'clock p. m.
Laid over one day under the rules.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS,

Being the consideration of the following:

Concurrent resolution concerning the boundary line between the States of Michigan and Ohio.

WHEREAS, It appears that the boundary line between Michigan and Ohio, as to the exact location of such line, upon the part of the citizens residing along said line is constantly in dispute, proving that such line should be more clearly defined; therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That the Governor of the State of Michigan is hereby authorized and empowered to appoint a commission of three, residents of the State, of whom the Governor shall be ex officio member, to act with a similar commission on the part of Ohio for the purpose of fully defining the exact rights of either State of the land in question. The question to be carefully inquired into as shown by the records of both States and, if it be necessary for final action, the findings of this joint commission be submitted to the United States government for definite understanding and establishment and permanently marking of the boundary line.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

On motion of Mr. Cousins,

The resolution was referred to the committee on State Affairs.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Graham,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order, whereupon

The Speaker called Mr. Perry to the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following:

1. House bill No. 148 (file No. 41), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of an act entitled "An act to authorize the board of control to transfer the St. Mary's Falls Ship Canal, with the property belonging to the same to the United States," the same act being No. 17 of the session laws of 1881, approved March 3, 1881, so that said section as amended shall authorize and direct said board of control to transfer all moneys remaining in the canal fund to the United States in the consideration of the construction, by the United States, of a marine hospital for the use and benefit of sick or disabled seamen; said section so amended being compiler's section No. 5504 of Howell's annotated statutes.

2. House bill No. 76 (file No. 43), entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 23 and 24 of act No. 135 of the public acts of 1885, entitled "An act to amend, revise and consolidate the laws organizing asylums for the insane and regulating the care and management thereof, and of the inmates therein, and to repeal act 164, laws of 1859; also act 194, laws of 1877; also act 91, laws of 1873, and the acts amendatory thereto, also act 172, laws of 1873," approved June 3, 1885.

3. House bill No. 180 (file No. 44), entitled

A bill to change the name of "Michigan Mining School" to "The Michigan College of Mines;"

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House and recommend their passage.

The committee of the whole have also had under consideration the following:

4. House bill No. 66 (file No. 42), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 10 of act 196 of the public acts of 1887, entitled "An act to regulate the practice of pharmacy in the State of Michigan;"

And have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that it be referred to the committee on State Affairs.

C. W. Perry,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The first, second and third named bills were placed on the order of third reading.

On motion of Mr. Sawyer,

The House concurred in the recommendation of the committee relative to the fourth named bill, and it was referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Sawyer arose to a question of privilege, in that the Journal of yesterday states that he made a presentation to Mr. and Mrs. Chamberlain, "on behalf of the members of the House"; whereas as a matter of fact, the officers and employes of the House had very generally joined with the members in securing the mementoes of the occasion, and the Journal should have so stated.

The speaker announced that the proper entry would be made in the Journal to correct the error.

The following officers and employes joined in the present:

R. H. Gibson, W. E. Stocking, Tyler Carmer, J. W. Allen, Lewis M. Miller, C. W. Malloch, Fred Z. Hamilton, Geo. W. R. Peaslee, Homer Hurst, C. W. Loring, O. Convis, O. J. Watkins, A. L. Phelps, H. A. Silsbie, F. W. Redfern, Wm. Shier.

Mr. Fuller moved to take from the table the following resolution:

Resolved by the House (the Senate concurring), That the State printer be instructed to forward one copy of the Daily Journal to each daily and weekly newspaper published within this State, and to each State officer or member of State commission, supreme, circuit and probate judge, county clerk, county treasurer, register of deeds, prosecuting attorney, circuit court commissioner, and to each public library, board of trade, superior and recorder's court in the State, and to each county school commissioner and superintendent of each union school in the State, and that the amount of postage on such copies of said Journal be paid by the State Treasurer on the warrant of the Auditor General, on the presentation of bills duly certified by the postmaster at Lansing and by the State printer, showing that such stamps have been purchased and used only for the payment of postage on said copies of said Journal hereby ordered to be distributed;

Which motion,

Pending discussion, was withdrawn.

Mr. Sawyer moved that a committee of three be appointed to act with a like committee of the Senate as a committee of conference in regard to the sending out of the Legislative Journal;

Which motion prevailed.

The Speaker announced as such committee, Messrs. Sawyer, Chamberlain and Foote.

Mr. C. C. Phillips moved that the House take a recess until 7:30 o'clock this evening;

Which motion did not prevail.

On motion of Mr. January,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Wednesday, February 17, 1897.

The House met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Lyon.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs Goodyear, Graham, Lusk, M. G. Moore, and Weier.

On motion of Mr. Peek,

Leave of absence was granted to all absentees for the day.

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain,

Leave of absence was granted to the committee on Normal School for the remainder of the week.

On motion of Mr. Fuller,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Graham until Friday next.

On motion of Mr. Bemis,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Goodyear until Friday next.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 157. By Mr. Chamberlain: Memorial from Gogebic county relative to the amendment of the pharmacy law.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 158. By Mr. Chamberlain: Memorial from 19 officers of the W. C. T. U., 50 members of the L. A. S., 26 members of the B. Y. P. U., and 57 members of the Epworth League, praying for the passage of the anti-cigarette bill.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 159. By Mr. Chamberlain: Memorial from Anna S. Benjamin, president of the W. C. T. U. of Portland; Carrie O. Faxon, vice president at-large, West Bay City; Julia R. Parish, Cor. Sec., Bay City; Mrs. C. H. Johnson, Rec. Sec., Flint; Jennie Voorheis, Treas., Ann Arbor, in behalf of 8,063 members of the Michigan Women's Christian Temperance Union, praying for the enactment of the prohibition cigarette measure.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 160. By Mr. F. Shepherd: Petition of F. Demey Larke and 13 other citizens of Rogers City for the passage of the law for the protection of citizens from quackery.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 161. By Mr. M. F. Phillips: Petition of L. C. Lybrook and 21 others of Cass county asking the repeal of laws for the collection of farm statistics.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 162. By Mr. M. F. Phillips: Petition of C. A. Breece and 8 others of Cass county relative to teachers' county institutes.

Referred to the committee on Education.

No. 163. By Mr. F. M. Shepard: Petition of South Fulton Farmers' Club in favor of the passage of House bill No. 198—the county officers' salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 164. By Mr. Anderson: Petition of F. E. Barbour and 33 others of Midland, praying for the passage of the Anderson bill requiring railroads to carry bicycles as baggage.

Referred to the committee on Railroads.

No. 165. By Mr. Oberdorffer: Petition of 125 citizens of Menominee county, asking for protection from empiricism and quackery.

On demand of Mr. Oberdorffer,

The petition was read at length and spread at large on the Journal, as follows:

To the Honorable the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled:

We, the undersigned, citizens and taxpayers of the county of Menominee, most respectfully petition your honorable body to pass some efficient law for the protection of the citizens of this State from empiricism and quackery. For this purpose we believe a board of examination and registration in medicine, consisting of six or more members, should be established, to be appointed from among the best educated and most scientific physicians of the State, whose duty it shall be to examine as to the qualifications of all future candidates, and reject all who are not qualified for the duties of physicians, and to grant licenses to all applicants who are found sufficiently qualified. It being against the policy of this government to recognize sects in making appointments for public service, we believe such a board should be non-sectarian, and we remonstrate against the passage of any bill for the above purpose which specifies any particular school or pathy. We believe the simple title of Doctor of Medicine is broad enough to cover all the different theories in medicine, and while adherence to any particular system should not be a barrier to an appointment no preference should be shown on that account, and the persons chosen to act on this board should not be selected as representatives of a sect, but because of their pre-eminence in the medical sciences, and their upright character as citizens.

We believe such a law would be retroactive as regards those practitioners that have been driven from other states by the operation of a similar law, and who are now engaged in medical practice in this commonwealth. We believe that no good government should ignore the importance of the healing art, or fail to protect its citizens from the imposition of quackery. If it is made a felony to forge a bill of exchange, it ought to be made equally a crime to forge a medical title, and with it impose upon the credulity of the sick and afflicted. We believe, further, that legislation in Michigan has been remiss in this respect, and that fail-

ure to pass a proper law for the protection of the people is the reason why this State is so overrun with quacks who have been driven from other states where a more enlightened policy has prevailed. We believe that such legislation in this State has been prevented by certain sectarian practitioners who have opposed legislation unless they could have absolute control of medical examinations and the licensing of candidates.

We believe that the long suffering of the people in this matter should cease, and that it is the duty of your honorable body to take this matter in hand and decide yourselves what enactment is necessary for the protection of the people, and without waiting further, to ignore the claims of sectarianism and appoint such men on the medical board as are best qualified to perform the duties of such an important office.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 166. By Mr. Peek: Petition of Dr. F. W. Main and 30 other prominent citizens of Jackson favoring the establishment of a board for examination and registration in medicine.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 167. By Mr. Peek: Petition of "The Tourist Club," 47 members, of Jackson, asking the passage of House bill No. 72.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 168. By Mr. Peek: Petition of "The Mosaic Club" of Jackson, 39 members, asking the passage of House bill No. 72.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 169. By Mr. O'Dett: Petition of Wales Farmers' Club, asking the passage of House bill No. 198, relative to county salaries.

On demand of Mr. O'Dett,

The petition was read at length and spread at large on the Journal as follows:

At a meeting of the Wales' Farmers' Club the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That we, the members of the Wales Farmers' Club, believe that the bill introduced in the present legislature, "providing that all county officers receive a stated salary, and that all fees collected by said officers be turned into the county treasury," is in the interest of all taxpayers; therefore be it

Resolved, That it is the desire of this club that our Representatives use their influence and vote for the passage of said bill; be it furthermore

Resolved, That the committee on resolutions be instructed to send a copy of these resolutions to each of the Representatives from St. Clair county.

James Dunning.

Albert Hand.

Isaac P. Green.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 170. By Mr. Donovan: Petition of the Hancock Mothers' Club, patrons of the Hancock school, Detroit, 57 signers, asking the passage of the "curfew law" bill.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 171. By Mr. Vought: Petition of citizens of St. Louis, Gratiot county, asking that the boundaries of the wards of said city.

Referred to the committee on City Corporations.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on Education:

The committee on Education, to whom was referred

House bill No. 156, entitled

A bill to provide that in all graded school districts in which a newspaper is published, the proceedings of the board of education shall be published;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. Bemis,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Education:

The committee on Education, to whom was referred

House bill No. 196, entitled

A bill to form and incorporate school district No. 6, in Colfax township, Huron county, Michigan;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. Bemis,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Madill,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Fleischhauer	Mr. Peek
Alward	Foote	Perry
Anderson	Foster	Petrowsky
Atkinson	Fuller	Phillips, C. C.
Babcock, G. G.	Goodell	Putney
Babcock, H.	Green	Reed
Bates	Hammond	Sawyer
Bemis	Harris	Scully
Billings	Hofmeister	Shepard, F. M.
Bricker	Jackson	Shepherd, F.
Bryan	January	Shisler
Cahoon	Kelly	Smith
Caldwell	Kerr	Stewart
Campbell	Kimms	Stoneman

Mr. Chamberlain	Mr. Madill	Mr. Tefft
Clark	Marsilje	Van Camp
Clute	Mayer	Vought
Coad	Miller	Washer
Colvin	Molster	Wetherbee
Cousins	Moore, E. W.	Whitney
Crippen	Oberdorffer	Widoe
Dickinson, J. H.	O'Dett	Williams
Donovan	Otis	Zimmerman
Dudley	Pearson	Speaker
Elkhoff		

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Madill,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

By the committee on Education:

The committee on Education, to whom was referred

House bill No. 53, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 95 of the public acts of 1895, approved April 26, 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the compulsory education of children, for the punishment of truancy, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts conflicting with the provisions of the same;"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. Bemis,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Education:

The committee on Education, to whom was referred

House bill No. 321, entitled

A bill to empower the school district of Sault Ste. Marie, in the city of Sault Ste. Marie, in Chippewa county, to bond itself by vote of its electors according to law, in a sum not to exceed \$50,000 in excess of the maximum;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. Bemis,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Connors,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Fleischhauer	Mr. Pearson
Alward	Foote	Peek
Atkinson	Foster	Perry
Babcock, C. G.	Fuller	Phillips, C. C.
Babcock, H.	Goodell	Phillips, M. F.
Bates	Green	Powers
Bemis	Gustin	Putney
Billings	Hammond	Reed
Bricker	Harris	Sawyer
Bryan	Hofmeister	Scully
Caldwell	Jackson	Shepard, F. M.
Campbell	January	Shepherd, F.
Chamberlain	Kelly	Shisler
Clark	Kerr	Stewart
Clute	Kimmls	Tefft
Coad	Madill	Van Camp
Colvin	Marsilje	Vought
Connors	Mayer	Washer
Cousins	Miller	Wetherbee
Crippen	Molster	Whitney
Dickinson, J. H.	Moore, E. W.	Widoe
Donovan	Oberdorffer	Zimmerman
Dudley	O'Dett	Speaker
Elkhoff	Otis	

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Connors,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

By the committee on Railroads:

The committee on Railroads, to whom was referred

House bill No. 381, entitled

A bill to prescribe the liabilities of railroad corporations owning or operating a railroad in this State, for damages sustained by its agents or servants, by reason of the negligence of any other agent or servant thereof, when such damages is sustained within this State;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to request of the House that 1,000 copies of the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

C. E. Foote,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Foote,

The request was granted, and the 1,000 copies of the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee.

By the committee on Railroads:

The committee on Railroads, to whom was referred
House bill No. 221, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 9 of Art. 2 of act No. 198 of the public acts of 1873, being an act, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of railroad companies, and to regulate the running and management, and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroad and other corporations owning or operating any railroad in this State," being compiler's Sec. 3323 of Howell's annotated statutes, as amended by act 177 of the public acts of 1871, and act No. 116 of the public acts of 1883, and act No. 230 of the public acts of 1887, and act No. 202 of the public acts of 1889, and act No. 90 of the public acts of 1891, approved May 21, 1891;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to request of the House that 1,000 copies of the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

C. E. Foote,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Foote,

The request was granted, and 1,000 copies of the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee.

By the committee on Railroads:

The committee on Railroads, to whom was referred
House bill No. 114, entitled

A bill to permit foreign railroad companies to hold and own certain land in this State, to confirm conveyances of such land to other foreign railroad companies in certain conditions, and to authorize the recording of a copy of agreements by which such conveyances have been or may be hereafter made;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to request of the House that one thousand copies of the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

C. E. Foote,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Foote,

The request was granted, and 1,000 copies of the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee.

By the committee on Railroads:

The committee on Railroads, to whom was referred
House bill No. 34, entitled

A bill to amend the general railroad law relative to meetings of stockholders, being Sec. 3, of article 2, of act No. 198 of the session laws of 1873, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of railroad companies, and to regulate the running and management, and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroads and other corporations owning and operating any railroad in this State," as said act was amended by act No. 61, of the session laws of 1875:

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to request of the House that one thousand copies of the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

C. E. Foote,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Foote,

The request was granted, and 1,000 copies of the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee.

By the committee on Railroads:

The committee on Railroads, to whom was referred

House bill No. 127, entitled

A bill to provide for the construction and maintenance of stock or cattle guards at public highway crossings, by steam railroad companies, and providing damages for injury to live stock on account of the want thereof;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to request of the House that one thousand copies of the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

C. E. Foote,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Foote,

The request was granted, and 1,000 copies of the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee.

By the committee on Railroads:

The committee on Railroads, to whom was referred

House bill No. 150, entitled

A bill to amend Chap. 91 of Howell's annotated statutes, being an act entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of railroad companies, and to regulate the running and management, and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroad and other corporations owning or operating any railroad in this State," being act No. 198 of the session laws of 1873, approved May 1, 1873, as amended by act No. 177 of the session laws of 1877, and act No. 230 of the public acts of 1889, and acts Nos. 52, 90 and 123 of the public acts of 1891; and to add two new sections to said chapter, to stand as Secs. 26 and 27 of Art. 5;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to request of the House that one thousand copies of the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

C. E. Foote,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Foote,

The request was granted, and 1,000 copies of the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee.

By the committee on State Library:

The committee on State Library, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 7 (file No. 5), entitled

A bill to provide for the purchase of books and equipments for the Michigan State Library and the Michigan traveling libraries;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

William H. Wetherbee,

Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

By the committee on State Affairs:

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 329, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 156 of session laws of 1891, entitled "An act to regulate the interest of money on account, interest on money, judgments, verdicts, etc.;"

• and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. S. Williams,

Acting Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on State Affairs:

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 239, entitled

A bill for the suppression of mob violence;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House and recommend that the bill be referred to the committee on Judiciary, and that it be printed for the use of said committee.

E. S. Williams,

Acting Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Williams,

The bill was referred as requested by the committee to the committee on Judiciary, and the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee.

By the committee on Judiciary:

The committee on Judiciary to whom was referred

House bill No. 165, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 1 and 5 of act No. 120 of the public acts of 1893, approved May 25, 1893, entitled "An act to amend Secs. 1 and 5 of act No. 25 of the public acts of 1887, approved March 9, 1887, entitled 'An act to provide for three additional circuit judges for the third judicial circuit,'" so as to provide one other additional circuit judge for the third judicial circuit;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without

amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. J. Sawyer,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Village Corporations:

The committee on Village Corporations, to whom was referred House bill No. 172, entitled

A bill to authorize the village of Laurium, in the county of Houghton, to borrow money and issue bonds therefor to the amount of \$35,000 for the purpose of constructing sewers and establishing a sewer system;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House with amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Isaac Marsilje,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Smith,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

On motion of Mr. Smith,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Dudley	Mr. Pearson
Alward	Eikhoff	Peek
Anderson	Fleischhauer	Perry
Atkinson	Foote	Phillips, C. C.
Babcock, C. G.	Foster	Phillips, M. F.
Babcock, H.	Fuller	Powers
Bemis	Goodell	Sawyer
Bricker	Green	Scully
Cahoon	Hammond	Shepard, F. M.
Caldwell	Harris	Shepherd, F.
Campbell	Hofmeister	Shisler
Chamberlain	January	Smith
Clark	Kelly	Stewart
Clute	Kimmis	Tefft
Coad	Marsilje	Van Camp
Colvin	Miller	Washer.
Connors.	Molster	Wetherbee
Cousins	Moore, E. W.	Whitney

Mr. Crippen
Dickinson, J. H.
Donovan

Mr. Oberdorffer
O'Dett
Otis

Mr. Widoe
Zimmerman
Speaker

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Smith,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

By the committee on General Taxation:

The committee on General Taxation, to whom was referred

House bill No. 296, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 127, 128, 129, 130, 131 and 134 of act No. 206 of the public acts of 1893, being an act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied, making such tax a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased, and to repeal act No. 200 of the public acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act as amended by act No. 134 of the public acts of 1895;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House with amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

H. K. Gustin,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Connors,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Village Corporations:

The committee on Village Corporations to whom was referred

House bill No. 307, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 8 and 15 of Chap. 9 of act No. 3 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of villages within the State of Michigan, and defining their powers and duties," approved February 9, 1895;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Isaac Marsilje,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Industrial School for Boys:

Your committee on Industrial School for Boys, desire to submit the following report:

We visited the school, and found that the school is conducted in a careful and able manner. The boys, by their looks, fare well. All healthy and rugged.

We believe that under Superintendent St. John's management a great work is being done, which turns out a large number of boys who will become good citizens, and bright men.

We recommend the following appropriations:

For current expenses for the year 1897.....	\$60,000
Special for repairs, etc.....	9,000
For current expenses for the year 1898.....	60,000

Geo. W. Reed,
D. J. Hammond,
Elmore Putney,
H. Babcock.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The report was referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

By the committee on Military Affairs:

The committee on Military Affairs, to whom was referred
House joint resolution No. 11, entitled

Joint resolution for the relief of Mrs. Margaret Heimes of Calumet, Mich., on account of the death of her son while in the active discharge of military duty;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. S. Williams,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Judiciary:

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred

House joint resolution No. 8, entitled

A joint resolution proposing amendments to Secs. 1 and 20 of the Art. 4 of the constitution of this State, and also to add three new sections thereto, to stand as Secs. 50, 51 and 52, relative to granting legislative power to the electors and the manner of exercising the same;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee, and that the same be spread on the Journal.

A. J. Sawyer,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Sawyer,

The request was granted, and the joint resolution ordered printed for the use of the committee, and also printed in the Journal.

The joint resolution is as follows:

Joint resolution proposing amendments to Secs. 1 and 20 of the Art. 4 of the constitution of this State and also to add three new sections thereto, to stand as Secs. 50, 51 and 52, relative to granting legislative power to the electors and the manner of exercising the same.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan, That an amendment to Art. 4 of the constitution of the State of Michigan be made by adding thereto Secs. 50, 51 and 52, and by amending Secs. 1 and 20 of said Art. 4, so that the same and said Secs. 50, 51 and 52 shall, and the same are hereby proposed to read as follows:

Section 1. The legislative power is vested in the Senate and House of Representatives and in the qualified electors of the State of Michigan as provided in Art. 4 of this constitution.

Sec. 20. No law shall embrace more than one object, which shall be expressed in its title. No public act shall take effect, or be in force until the expiration of 90 days from the end of the session at which the same is passed, unless otherwise directed by two-thirds vote of members elected: *Provided*, That any such act shall not take effect, or be in force when 5 per cent of the electors of the State as ascertained in Sec. 50 of this article shall have petitioned the Secretary of the State within the said 90 days for the submission of the same to the electors for their approval or rejection at the next ensuing general election.

Sec. 50. When 5 per cent of the electors of the State to be determined by the number of votes cast for all the candidates for Governor at the last general election, shall present a bill or an amendment to the State constitution to the Secretary of the State, he shall submit such bill or amendment to the vote of the electors thereof for approval or rejection at the next ensuing election.

Sec. 51. The electors of every county, township or municipal corporation, upon petition to their respective county, township or city clerks, shall have the same right to apply the initiative and referendum to all local legislation affecting such locality in same form and in same manner as set forth in sections 20 and 50 of this article of the constitution.

Sec. 52. The legislature shall provide such legislation as may be necessary to carry the provisions of article 4 into effect.

Be it further,

Resolved, That said amendment shall be submitted to the people of this State at the next spring election on the first Monday of April, in the year 1897, and the Secretary of State is hereby requested to give notice of the same to the sheriffs of the several counties of the State at least 20 days prior to the said election, and the said sheriffs are required to give the several notices required by law and the several townships and cities of this State shall prepare suitable boxes for the reception of ballots cast for or against said amendment. Each person voting for said amendment shall have written or printed on his ballot the words "Amendment to the constitution relative to granting the legislative power to the electors and the manner of exercising the same—Yes," and such person voting against said amendment shall have on his ballot in like manner "Amendment to the constitution relative to granting the legislative power to the electors and the manner of exercising the same—No." The ballot shall in all respects be canvassed and returns made as in general election of State officers.

By the committee on City Corporations:

The committee on City Corporations, to whom was referred
House bill No. 336, entitled

A bill to re-incorporate the city of Ironwood, in the county of Gogebio,
and to repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration,
and have directed me to report the same back to the House with amend-
ments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in,
and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged
from the further consideration of the subject.

Wm. L. January,
Acting Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the com-
mittee.

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting
therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the
members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Dudley	Mr. Otis
Alward	Fleischhauer	Pearson
Anderson	Foote	Peek
Atkinson	Fuller	Perry
Babcock, C. G.	Goodell	Petrowsky
Babcock, H.	Green	Phillips, C. C.
Bemis	Gustin	Phillips, M. F.
Billings	Hammond	Putney
Bricker	Harris	Reed
Bryan	Hofmeister	Sawyer
Cahoon	Jackson	Scully
Caldwell	January	Shepard, F. M.
Campbell	Kelly	Shepherd, F.
Chamberlain	Kerr	Shisler
Clark	Kimmis	Smith
Clute	Madill	Tefft
Coad	Marsilje	Van Camp
Colvin	Mayer	Vought
Connors	Miller	Washer
Cousins	Moore, E. W.	Wetherbee
Crippen	Oberdorffer	Widoe
Dickinson, J. H.	O'Dett	Speaker
Donovan		

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to
take immediate effect.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 17, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following concurrent resolution:

WHEREAS, The contest entered by W. R. Kendrick of Saginaw county against Pyron A. Snow, involving the election of a circuit judge in that county and circuit, now pending before the joint Judiciary committee of the Senate and House, is an important matter to both the contestant and to the contestee, as well as to this State; and

WHEREAS, The joint committee of the Judiciary have had the matter under consideration and have, for the purpose of having the proceedings regular, requested the contestee, Byron A. Snow, by his attorney, C. P. Black, to prepare and file with the clerk of the Senate Judiciary committee his answer or demur in writing to the petition of the said W. R. Kendrick, now on file in said proceedings, within six days from this date, and

WHEREAS, The matter will require much time and careful consideration by the joint committee; therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate (the House concurring), That the two houses meet in joint convention on the first day of March, at 7:30 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of considering the report of the joint Judiciary committee, and that they be granted the further time herein provided for in the premises;

Which has been adopted by the Senate, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The question being on concurring in the adoption of the resolution, The resolution was adopted.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 17, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 3 (file No. 14), entitled

A bill to provide for the completion, printing, binding, distribution and sale of the compiled laws of 1897;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has been ordered to take immediate effect, and in all of which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Printing.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 17, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 32 (file No. 13), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 16 of Chap. 9 of the compiled laws of 1871, as amended by Sec. 16, act No. 61 of the public acts of 1877, being Sec. 452 of Howell's annotated statutes, approved April 20, 1887, relative to county buildings and furnishing same;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 17, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 105, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 78 of the public acts of 1887, entitled "An act to prevent persons from unlawfully using or wearing the badge of the Grand Army of the Republic in this State, or the badge of the Loyal Legion of the United States," approved April 19, 1887;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has been ordered to take immediate effect, and in all of which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Foote,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill having been read a third time and the question being upon its passage, pending the taking of the vote thereon,

On motion of Mr. Atkinson,

The bill was referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 17, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 93, entitled

A bill to regulate the catching of speckled trout and grayling in Maple river in Center, Egleston and Maple River townships, in Emmet county;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has been ordered to take immediate effect, and in all of which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 17, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 77, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 17 of Chap. 7 of act No. 326 of the local acts of 1883, entitled "An act to provide a charter for the city of Detroit and to repeal all acts or parts of acts in conflict therewith, approved June 7, 1883, as amended by act No. 488 of the local acts of 1887;"

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has been ordered to take immediate effect, and in all of which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 17, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following joint resolution:

House joint resolution No. 16, entitled

Joint resolution to allow members of the board of supervisors of Newaygo county compensation for time spent in extra session in investigating the books and general financial condition of said county in the disappearance from the clerk's office of certain records and files;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The joint resolution was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 17, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 340, entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of labor associations;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

NOTICES

Mr. Billings gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A joint resolution to authorize and instruct the Board of State Auditors to examine into and if they deem it justifiable to allow compensation to John McDonald for confinement in the branch prison at Marquette for a term of six years for the conviction of a crime of which he was afterward found innocent and pardoned.

Mr. Foote gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill for an appropriation and providing for the publication of the military history of Michigan soldiers who served during the war of the rebellion.

Mr. Alward gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 29, act 155, session laws of 1851, approved April 8, 1851, entitled "An act to provide for the formation of companies to

construct roads," as amended by subsequent acts, being Sec. 3598 of Chap. 96 of Howell's annotated statutes.

Mr. Alward gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 17 of act No. 62 session laws of 1848, approved March 13, 1848, entitled "An act relative to plank roads," as amended by subsequent acts, being Sec. 3582 of Chap. 96 of Howell's annotated statutes.

Mr. Anderson gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill providing for the inspection of milk and dairies, and for license and regulation of the sale of milk in cities.

Mr. Adams gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize township boards to exercise the same powers in suppressing the sale of spirituous and intoxicating liquors as are now exercised by village councils within this State.

Mr. Sawyer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to reincorporate the city of Ann Arbor, revise the charter of said city, and repeal all conflicting acts relating thereto," being act No. 331 of the local acts of Michigan of 1889, approved March 15, 1889, as amended by act No. 262 of the local acts of 1891, approved March 28, 1891, as amended by act No. 282 of the local acts of 1891, approved April 10, 1891, as amended by act No. 368 of the local acts of 1893, approved April 27, 1893, by amending Secs. 2, 5, 17, 31, 33, 34, 61, 69, 77, 83, 88, 90, 107, 111 and 133.

Mr. Bates gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill providing for a stenographer for the probate court of Genesee county.

Mr. F. Shepherd gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 5 of act 111 of public acts of 1891, as amended by act 28 of the public acts of 1893, being "An act providing for the appointment, defining the duties and fixing the compensation of a stenographer for the 33d judicial circuit.

Mr. F. Shepherd gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 12 of act 137 of the laws of 1849, relative to authorizing proceedings against garnishees, as amended, being Sec. 8042 of Howell's annotated statutes.

Mr. F. Shepherd gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 34 of act 264 of the laws of 1861, entitled "An act to authorize proceedings by garnishment in the circuit courts and the district courts of the upper peninsula," being Sec. 8090 of Howell's annotated statutes.

Mr. F. Shepherd gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to create a board of forestry commissioners and to define the powers and duties thereof.

Mr. Widoe gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill regarding fees for the incorporation and the increase of capital stock of companies and corporations in this State.

Mr. Widoe gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend subdivision 9, of Sec. 9 of Art. 2 of act No. 198 of the public acts of 1873, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of railroad companies, and to fix and regulate the running and management, and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroad and other corporations owning and operating any railroad in this State."

Mr. Clute gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Art. 3, Sec. 14, of act No. 206, laws of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon."

Mr. Widoe gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to regulate the granting of relief to indigent war veterans and their families.

Mr. Widoe gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to enable cities and villages, organized under any general or special law of the State, to levy and collect a tax or license fee from fire insurance companies for the benefit of organized fire departments.

Mr. Powers gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Secs. 18, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34 of act No. 206 of the public acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased," and to add two additional sections.

Mr. January gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Secs. 4 and 5 of Chap. 1 of an act, entitled "An act to provide for a charter for the city of Detroit, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith," being act No. 326 of the session laws of 1883, approved June 7, 1883, as amended by act No. 398 of the session laws of 1885, approved June . . . , 1885, and as further amended by act No. 324 of the session laws of 1891, approved May 13, 1891, and to add three new sections to be known as Secs. 11, 12 and 13.

Mr. Donovan gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act, entitled "An act for the protection of fish in the Saginaw river and its tributaries," and to repeal act No. 31 of the public acts of 1893, the same being act No. 200 of the public acts of 1895, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith.

Mr. Gustin gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the fish and game law.

Mr. Wetherbee gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend act 324 of the session laws of 1891, relative to highway funds belonging to road districts that have been or may be taken into the city of Detroit, entitled "An act to amend Secs. 3, 4, 5, 8, 9 and 10 of Chap. 1 of an act entitled 'An act to provide a charter for the city of Detroit,' and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith," being act No. 326 of the session laws of 1883 and amendments thereto.

Mr. Wetherbee gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of an act to provide for the appointment of city physicians of the city of Detroit by the board of poor commissioners of said city, and to provide for the regulation of their duties, being act No. 343 of the local acts of the legislature of the State of Michigan for the year 1891.

Mr. Wetherbee gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the furnishing of abstracts in Wayne county by the register of deeds of said county.

Mr. Wetherbee gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend act No. 205 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to regulate the admission to practice of attorneys, to provide for a board of examiners, and to repeal conflicting acts."

Mr. Wetherbee gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to regulate and improve the civil service in the State of Michigan.

Mr. Campbell gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill concerning land titles, and to repeal all laws in conflict therewith.

Mr. Bryan gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the payment of a bounty for the destruction of kingfishers.

Mr. Kimmis gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 5 of act No. 176 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act empowering the Governor and Board of State Auditors to authorize the rebuilding or repair of any building owned by the State of Michigan which may at any time be destroyed or damaged by fire, explosion or other accident, and the purchase of property to take the place of any property of the State lost, damaged or destroyed by any such fire or accident, and making a contingent appropriation therefor."

Mr. Kimmis gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to empower the village of Holly, in the county of Oakland, to issue bonds.

Mr. January gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 4 of an act entitled "An act to provide a charter for the city of Detroit, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith," approved June 7, 1883.

Mr. Chamberlain gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to condense and consolidate the laws of this State relative to stenographers of the several circuits of this State, and to regulate their salaries and fees, and prescribe their duties.

Mr. Vought gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill relative to detaching a portion of union school district No. 1 of the townships of Pine River and Bethany, Gratiot county, Michigan, and attaching the same to school district No. 1 in said township of Pine River.

Mr. Adams gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Secs. 43 and 44 and to repeal Secs. 45 and 47 of Chap. 178 of the compiled laws of 1871, said chapter being Chap. 249 of Howell's annotated statutes, relative to actions of replevin in justice court.

Mr. Tefft gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill for the protection of fish in the lake known as Swain's lake, in the township of Pulaski, Jackson county.

Mr. Crippen gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 3 of act No. 129 of the public acts of 1883, entitled "An act for the organization of telephone and messenger service companies."

Mr. Caldwell gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

An act to provide for the disorganization of the village of Harrietta, Wexford county, Michigan, and to provide for the payment of its indebtedness.

Mr. Peek gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill appropriating money for the use of the Michigan Asylum for Dangerous and Criminal Insane.

Mr. F. Shepherd gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 144 of Chap. 247 of Howell's annotated statutes, being compiler's section 6738.

Mr. Washer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Secs. 5, 9, 10, 11, 13, of act No. 314 of local acts of the session laws of 1885, approved April 2, 1885.

Mr. Alward gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 17 of Chap. 175, entitled "An act to define the limits, jurisdiction and powers of circuit courts," said section being 6474 of Howell's statutes.

Mr. C. C. Phillips gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 11 of Ohap. 229, compiled laws of 1871, being compiler's section 8723 of Howell's annotated statutes, relative to the limitation of personal actions.

Mr. Powers gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for two voting precincts in the township of Comstock, Kalamazoo county.

Mr. E. W. Moore gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill for the protection of newspaper reporters.

Mr. E. W. Moore gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill making an appropriation to the county of Calhoun to improve Kalamazoo river.

Mr. E. W. Moore gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill for the incorporation of societies for the study of literature, art, and other branches of knowledge, and for educational, industrial and philanthropic work.

Mr. E. W. Moore gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to prevent the pollution of the water in lakes and streams used as a source of water supply for domestic purposes.

Mr. Washer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to repeal act No. 299 of local acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for selecting and drawing jurors for the circuit court for the county of Bay."

Mr. Foote gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the protection of the good name and reputation of certain persons.

Mr. Bates gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to declare unlawful and void all arrangements, contracts, agreements, trusts or combinations, made with a view to lessen or which tend to lessen free competition in the importation or sale of sugar imported into, manufactured, or produced in this State, or which tend to advance rates or control the price of sugar to the producer or consumer, and to provide for the punishment of persons, copartnerships and corporations entering into such arrangements, contracts, agreements, trusts or combinations.

Mr. Cousins gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend compiler's Sec. 9093 of Howell's annotated statutes of 1892 relative to offenses against persons.

Mr. Mayer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill authorizing the Commissioner of the State Land Office to have trespass agents collect and adjust all trespasses committed upon State tax lands.

Mr. Foster gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend act No. 206 of public acts of 1893 and to repeal act No. 200 of public acts of 1891.

Mr. Goodell gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for publishing the annual accounts of boards of trustees of graded school districts and providing a penalty for failure therein.

Mr. Foster gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend act No. 206 of public acts of 1893, providing for the sale of lands delinquent for taxes, and to repeal act No. 200 of the public acts of 1891, and to add thereto five sections to stand as Secs. 140, 141, 142, 143 and 144, providing for notice to be given by purchaser to persons having interest in said lands, and providing terms by which occupants may redeem.

Mr. Goodell gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for a State bureau of advertising.

Mr. Molster gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Detroit.

Mr. Molster gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Secs. 4 and 5a of act No. 196 of public acts of 1893, entitled "An act to regulate the possession, use, transportation and sale of fish and game," approved June 1, 1893, as amended by act No. 223 of the public acts of 1895.

Mr. F. Shepherd gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend act 149 of the public acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for a county and township system of roads, and to prescribe the powers and duties of the officers having the charge thereof," by adding three new sections thereto, to be known as Secs. 25, 26 and 27.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Kelly, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 407, entitled

A bill to legalize taxes assessed in the city of Muskegon for the years 1890 to 1895 inclusive.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Kelly,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Dudley	Mr. Pearson
Alward	Elkhoff	Peek
Anderson	Fleischhauer	Perry
Atkinson	Foote	Petrowsky
Babcock, O. G.	Foster	Phillips, C. C.
Babcock, H.	Fuller	Powers
Bemis	Green	Putney
Bricker	Hammond	Reed
Bryan	Harris	Scully
Cahoon	Hofmeister	Shepard, F. M.
Caldwell	January	Shepherd, F.
Campbell	Kelly	Shisler
Chamberlain	Kimmis	Smith
Clark	Madill	Stewart
Clute	Marsilje	Tefft
Coad	Mayer	Van Camp
Colvin	Miller	Vought
Connors	Molster	Washer
Cousins	Moore, E. W.	Wetherbee
Crippen	Oberdorffer	Whitney
Dickinson, J. H.	O'Dett	Widoe
Donovan	Otis	Zimmerman

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Kelly,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Pearson, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 408, entitled

A bill to provide for issuing bonds by the townships in the counties of St. Clair, Sanilac, Huron, Tuscola and Lapeer, for raising money to construct and maintain drains.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Drainage.

Mr. Atkinson, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 409, entitled

A bill to provide a remedy for persons aggrieved by overcharging by railroad companies, and to provide a penalty for the violation of any provision of the special railroad charters in this State by railroad companies operating under such special charters.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Railroads.

Mr. Atkinson, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 410, entitled

A bill relative to granting franchises in streets, alleys and public places in cities of this State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Atkinson, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 411, entitled

A bill to allow the use of the American Votograph or any other vote recording machine of similar construction and principle in any elections held in this State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Elections.

Mr. Atkinson, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 412, entitled

A bill to prevent discrimination between passengers and shippers of freight on railroads in this State, and to provide a penalty therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Railroads.

Mr. Vought, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 413, entitled

A bill to incorporate grand and subordinate lodges of the Knights of the Ancient Temple of the State of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Religious and Benevolent Societies.

Mr. Madill, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 414, entitled

A bill to define the limits of Wild Fowl Bay, and to prohibit fishing with nets within such limits.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Marsilje, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 415, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 19 of Chap. 9 of act No. 3 of the public acts of 1895, being "An act to provide for the incorporation of villages within the State of Michigan, and defining their powers and duties."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Village Corporations.

Mr. Chamberlain, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 416, entitled

A bill to prohibit the manufacture and sale, keeping for sale, giving away, or furnishing to any person in this State, cigarettes, cigarette paper, or cigarette material in any form whatsoever, and to provide a penalty therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Public Health.

Mr. Gustin, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 417, entitled

A bill to organize all the territory embraced within the township of Mentor, in Oscoda county, into a single school district, and to provide for vacating all other existing school districts in said township.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Gustin, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 418, entitled

A bill to vacate the township of Greenwood, in the county of Oscoda, and to incorporate its territory within the adjoining township of Elmer, in Oscoda county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Wetherbee, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 419, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of act No. 137 of the session laws of 1849, entitled "An act to authorize proceedings against garnishees and for other purposes," being compiler's Sec. 8032, Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Wetherbee, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 420, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 8 of act No. 124 of the public acts of 1891, approved June 12, 1891, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of regiments and companies of the Deutscher-Landwehr-Unterstützungs-Verein."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Wetherbee, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 421, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 156 of the public acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide a penalty for cruelty to children," and to repeal all existing acts and parts of acts conflicting with the provisions of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Wetherbee, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 422, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 9 of Chap. 157 of the compiled laws of 1871, the same being compiler's Sec. 5877 of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan, relative to examinations of persons suspected of having concealed, embezzled, conveyed away or disposed of money, goods or chattels of deceased persons, and persons suspected of having in their possession

or knowledge any deeds, conveyances, bonds, contracts, or other writings, which contain evidence of or tend to disclose the right, title, interest or claim of deceased persons to any real or personal estate, or any claim or demand, or any last will and testament of deceased persons.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Otis, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 423, entitled

A bill to provide for marking on packages designed for the shipment of certain specified kinds of fruit, the number of pounds which each of said packages shall contain.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Horticulture.

Mr. Scully, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 424, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 20 of Chap. 181 of the compiled laws of 1857, and the several acts amendatory thereto, relative to receiving stolen goods, the same being Sec. 9142 of Howell's annotated statutes of the State of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Foote (by request), previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 425, entitled

A bill to provide for public ingress and egress from railroad depots.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Railroads.

Mr. F. Shepherd, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 426, entitled

A bill to re-enact and amend Sec. 136 of act No. 206 of the public acts of 1893, being an act to provide for the assessment of property and levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied, making such taxes a lien on the land taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of land delinquent for taxes and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased, and to repeal act No. 200 of the public acts of 1891, and all other acts or parts of acts in any way contravening any of the provisions of this act as amended by act No. 154 of the public acts of 1895.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Clark, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 427, entitled

A bill to abolish the State Live Stock Sanitary Commission, and to impose the duties heretofore required of said commission on the State Veterinarian.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Fuller, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 428, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 108 of act No. 206 of the public acts of 1892, being "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal act No. 200 of the public acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in any-wise contravening any of the provisions of this act."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Foster, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 429, entitled

A bill to legalize the proceedings of the board of the Northern Michigan Asylum in the purchase of certain real estate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

Mr. Foster moved that the rules be suspended, and that the bill be put on its immediate passage;

Pending which,

On motion of Mr. Adams,

The bill was referred to the committee on Northern Michigan Asylum.

Mr. Campbell, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 430, entitled

A bill making appropriation for the current expenses of the Michigan State Normal School for the years 1897 and 1898, and to erect and equip a plant for heating and lighting the Normal School buildings, and for added library facilities.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Normal School.

Mr. Stewart, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 431, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 3, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 11 of act No. 393 of the local acts of 1885, entitled "An act to establish a board of building inspectors in and for the city of Detroit and to define its powers and duties."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Kimmis, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 432, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 190 of the public acts of 1891, entitled "An act to prescribe the manner of conducting and to prevent fraud and deception at elections in this State as amended."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Stoneman, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 433, entitled

A bill to regulate the manufacture and sale of beer, ale and porter.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Stoneman, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 434, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 1 and 4 of Chap. 55 of the compiled laws of 1871, as amended by acts amendatory thereof, being Secs. 1 and 4 of Chap. 54 of Howell's annotated statutes, being compiler's Secs. 2015 and 2018 of Howell's annotated statutes, relating to observance of the first day of the week, commonly known as Sunday, and prevention and punishment of immorality.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Perry, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 435, entitled

An act to amend Sec. 44 of act 190 of the public acts of 1891, entitled "An act to prescribe the manner and to prevent fraud and deception at elections in this State."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Elections.

Mr. Perry, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 436, entitled

A bill to provide for the punishment of assaults upon females in certain cases.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Gustin, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 437, entitled

A bill to incorporate school district No. 5 of Alpena township, Alpena county, Michigan, and attach certain territory thereto.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Gustin,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Gustin, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 438, entitled

A bill to organize and incorporate the territory within the township of Atherton, in the county of Oscoda, into a single union school district.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Gustin,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Gustin, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 439, entitled

A bill to organize and incorporate the territory within the township of Mt. Pindus, in the county of Oscoda, into a single union school district.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Gustin,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Gustin, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 440, entitled

A bill to organize and incorporate the territory within the township of Atherton, in the county of Oscoda, into a single union school district.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Gustin,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Gustin, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 441, entitled

A bill to organize and incorporate the territory within the township of Big Creek, in the county of Oscoda, into a single union school district.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Gustin,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Gustin, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 442, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the county of Montmorency and to attach the same to the county of Alpena.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Gustin,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Gustin, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 443, entitled

A bill to vacate the township of Vienna, in the county of Montmorency.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Gustin,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Gustin, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 444, entitled

A bill to attach certain territory to the township of Rust, in the county

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its of Montmorency.

reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Gustin,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Gustin, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 445, entitled

A bill to attach certain territory to the township of Albert, in the county of Montmorency.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Gustin,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Gustin, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 446, entitled

A bill to attach certain territory to the township of Wheatfield, in the county of Montmorency.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Gustin,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Gustin, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 447, entitled

A bill to vacate the township of Montmorency, and to incorporate a part of its territory within the township of Hillman, in the county of Montmorency.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Gustin,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Adams, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 448, entitled

A bill to provide for the appraisement of real estate or any interest therein, offered for sale at mortgage sale, sheriff's sale or chancery sale, and to prohibit the sale thereof at less than two-thirds of its appraised value.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Adams, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 449, entitled

A bill regulating the form of appeal bonds in certain chancery cases, and the measure of damage in actions thereon.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Donovan, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 450, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to revise and amend an act entitled 'An act to organize the union school district of Bay City,' approved April 13, 1887," and to add one new section thereto to stand as Sec. 20.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Bryan, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 451, entitled

A bill to provide for the construction and maintenance of fire escapes from hotel buildings, boarding and lodging houses, opera houses, music halls, dance halls, mills, factories, churches or other places of worship, school houses, places of business or business blocks and all other buildings more than two stories in height in which people live, dwell, labor, gather together, assemble or congregate, either privately or publicly. And all other acts as to the providing of fire escapes in this State are hereby repealed.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Gustin, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House joint resolution No. 17, entitled

Joint resolution authorizing the Board of State Auditors to investigate, examine and settle any claim found to be due the county of Alpena, State of Michigan, against the State of Michigan.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Stoneman, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House joint resolution No. 18, entitled

Joint resolution authorizing the Board of State Auditors to provide for lighting the State capitol building and grounds with electricity.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Capitol and Public Buildings.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 148 (file No. 41), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of an act entitled "An act to authorize the board of control to transfer the St. Mary's Falls Ship Canal, with the property belonging to the same to the United States," the same act being No. 17 of the session laws of 1881, approved March 3, 1881, so that said section as amended shall authorize and direct said board of control to transfer all moneys remaining in the canal fund to the United States in the consideration of the construction, by the United States, of a marine hospital for the use and benefit of sick or disabled seamen; said section so amended being compiler's Sec. No. 5504 of Howell's annotated statutes;

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams
Alward
Anderson
Atkinson

Mr. Dudley
Eikhoff
Fleischhauer
Foote

Mr. Perry
Petrovsky
Phillips, C. C.
Phillips, M. F.

Mr. Babcock, C. G.	Mr. Fuller	Mr. Powers
Babcock, H.	Goodell	Putney
Bemis	Green	Reed
Billings	Hammond	Sawyer
Bricker	Hofmeister	Scully
Bryan	Jackson	Shepard, F. M.
Cahoon	January	Shepherd, F.
Caldwell	Kerr	Shisler
Campbell	Kimmls	Smith
Clark	Marsilje	Stewart
Clute	Mayer	Stoneman
Coad	Miller	Tefft
Colvin	Molster	Van Camp
Connors	Moore, E. W.	Washer
Cousins	Oberdorffer	Wetherbee
Crippen	O'Dett	Whitney
Davis	Otis	Widoe
Dickinson, J. H.	Pearson	Zimmerman
Donovan	Peek	Speaker

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Title agreed to.

House bill No. 76 (file No. 43), entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 23 and 24 of act No. 135 of the public acts of 1885, entitled "An act to amend, revise and consolidate the laws organizing asylums for the insane and regulating the care and management thereof, and of the inmates therein, and to repeal act 164, laws of 1859; also act 194, laws of 1877; also act 91, laws of 1873, and the acts amendatory thereto; also act 172, laws of 1873," approved June 3, 1885;

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Eikhoff	Mr. Peek
Alward	Fleischhauer	Perry
Anderson	Footc	Petrowsky
Atkinson	Fuller	Phillips, C. C.
Babcock, C. G.	Goodell	Phillips, M. F.
Babcock, H.	Green	Powers
Bemis	Hammond	Putney
Billings	Harris	Reed
Bricker	Hofmeister	Scully
Bryan	Jackson	Shepard, F. M.
Cahoon	January	Shepherd, F.
Caldwell	Kelly	Shisler
Campbell	Kerr	Smith
Chamberlain	Kimmls	Stoneman
Clark	Marsilje	Tefft
Clute	Mayer	Van Camp
Coad	Miller	Vought
Colvin	Molster	Washer

Mr. Connors	Mr. Moore, E. W.	Mr. Wetherbee
Cousins	Oberdorffer	Whitney
Crippen	O'Dett	Widoe
Dickinson, J. H.	Otis	Zimmerman
Donovan	Pearson	Speaker
Dudley		

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Title agreed to.

House bill No. 180 (file No. 44), entitled

A bill to change the name of "Michigan Mining School" to "The Michigan College of Mines;"

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Fuller	Petrowsky
Alward	Goodell	Phillips, C. C.
Anderson	Hammond	Phillips, M. F.
Atkinson	Harris	Powers
Babcock, C. G.	Hofmeister	Putney
Babcock, H.	Jackson	Reed
Bemis	January	Sawyer
Billings	Kelly	Scully
Bricker	Kerr	Shepard, F. M.
Bryan	Kimmis	Shepherd, F.
Cahoon	Lee	Shisler
Caldwell	Madill	Smith
Campbell	Marsilje	Stewart
Chamberlain	Mayer	Stoneman
Clark	Miller	Tefft
Clute	Molster	Van Camp
Coad	Moore, E. W.	Vought
Colvin	Oberdorffer	Washer
Connors	O'Dett	Wetherbee
Cousins	Otis	Whitney
Crippen	Pearson	Widoe
Dudley	Peek	Zimmerman
Fleischhaner	Perry	Speaker
Foote		

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Smith,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Foote moved to take from the table,
Senate joint resolution No. 3 (file No. 2), entitled
Joint resolution proposing an amendment to Sec. 1, Art. 9, of the constitution of this State, relative to the salary of Attorney General;
Which motion prevailed.

The question being on the passage of the joint resolution,
The joint resolution was then read a third time and passed, two-thirds
of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Fleischhauer	Mr. Pearson
Alward	Foote	Peek
Anderson	Foster	Perry
Atkinson	Fuller	Phillips, C. C.
Babcock, C. G.	Goodell	Powers
Babcock, H.	Green	Putney
Bemis	Gustin	Reed
Billings	Hammond	Sawyer
Bricker	Harris	Scully
Bryan	Hofmeister	Shepard, F. M.
Caldwell	Jackson	Shepherd, F.
Campbell	January	Shisler
Chamberlain	Kelly	Smith
Clute	Kimmis	Stewart
Coad	Madill	Tefft
Colvin	Marsilje	Van Camp
Connors	Mayer	Vought
Cousins	Miller	Washer
Crippen	Molster	Wetherbee
Dickinson, J. H.	Moore, E. W.	Widoe
Donovan	Oberdorffer	Zimmerman
Dudley	O'Dett	Speaker
Eikhoff	Otis	

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Mr. Phillips, M. F.

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Foote,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the joint resolution
was ordered to take immediate effect.

The following is the joint resolution:

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to Sec. 1, Art. 9, of the con-
stitution of this State, relative to the salary of the Attorney General.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michi-
gan,* That an amendment to Sec. 1 of Art. 9 of the constitution of this
State be and the same is hereby proposed, to read as follows:

Section 1. The Governor shall receive an annual salary of \$4,000; the
judges of the circuit court shall each receive an annual salary of \$2,500;
the Attorney General shall receive an annual salary of \$3,500, and he
shall reside during his term of office in the city of Lansing, and in person
attend to the duties of his office; the Secretary of State shall receive an
annual salary of \$800; the State Treasurer shall receive an annual salary
of \$1,000; the Superintendent of Public Instruction shall receive an
annual salary of \$1,000; the Commissioner of the State Land Office shall
receive an annual salary of \$800. They shall receive no fees or perqui-
sites whatever for the performance of any duties connected with their

offices. It shall not be competent for the legislature to increase the salaries herein provided.

Be it further Resolved, That said amendment shall be submitted to the people of the State of Michigan at the next spring election, on the first Monday of April, in the year 1897, and the Secretary of State is hereby required to give notice of the same to the sheriffs of the several counties of this State the time prior to said election required by law, and the said sheriffs are hereby required to give the several notices required by law. Each person voting for said amendment shall have written or printed on his ballot, as then provided by law, the words "Amendment to the constitution relative to the salary of the Attorney General—Yes," and each person voting against said amendment shall have on his ballot in like manner, "Amendment to the constitution relative to the salary of the Attorney General—No." The ballots shall in all respects be canvassed and returns made as in general elections of State officers.

Mr. Foote offered the following:

Concurrent resolution recommending the appointment of Col. William R. Shafter as brigadier general.

WHEREAS, The services of William R. Shafter during the war of the rebellion as lieutenant of the Seventh Michigan Infantry, major of the Nineteenth Michigan Infantry, and as colonel of a colored regiment distinguished him as, and proved him to be, one of Michigan's most valiant, loyal, capable and able sons; and

WHEREAS, A vacancy is liable to occur in the position of brigadier general in the United States army, which it will be necessary for the President to fill by appointment; and

WHEREAS, William R. Shafter now occupies the position of ranking colonel of the United States army,—being in charge of the Presidio, of San Francisco, California, which is the largest and most important post in the United States; and

WHEREAS, In the ordinary course of military appointments, Colonel Shafter as ranking colonel, is entitled to appointment to fill the first vacancy in the position of brigadier general of the United States army; therefore be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That it is the desire of the legislature of the State of Michigan, and each and every member thereof, that President-Elect McKinley appoint Colonel Shafter to the first vacancy in the position of brigadier general in the United States army, and that Gen. Russell A. Alger, Secretary of War, appointed, use his influence to secure such appointment.

Resolved, That after adoption, these resolutions be forwarded to President-Elect McKinley, after being signed by the Speaker of the House and President of the Senate, and that a copy thereof be sent to Gen. Russell A. Alger.

Laid over one day under the rules.

Mr. Widoe offered the following:

Resolved, That the Speaker of the House be and is hereby directed to appoint a committee of three members of the House, whose duty it shall be to investigate and report to the House any violation of the law relative to freight charges or tariff for the transportation of property on the part of the railway companies operating and doing business under the general law or under special charters, and to report such remedial

legislation with reference thereto as the exigencies of the subject matter of the report may demand; and be it further

Resolved, That such committee be and is hereby authorized to subpoena witnesses to examine books and papers, and to employ such other assistance as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this resolution: Provided however, That said committee shall hold its sessions at the capitol in the city of Lansing; and be it further

Resolved, That said committee be and is hereby instructed to report to this House its doings under this resolution within 30 days after the appointment of said committee;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Perry offered the following:

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That the Secretary of State be and hereby is instructed to present one copy of the Legislative Manual to each resident pastor or clergyman who has heretofore, during this session, conducted religious services at any session of the Senate or House of Representatives, or who shall hereafter during this session conduct such services before the Senate or House;

Laid over one day under the rules.

Mr. Anderson offered the following:

Resolved, That the rule requiring one day's previous notice of the introduction of bills, be suspended for the remainder of the session, except for bills referring to municipal corporations;

Which was adopted, two-thirds of all the members elect voting therefor.

Mr. Wetherbee moved to take from the table,

House bill No. 28 (file No. 16), entitled

A bill to protect the owners of bottles, boxes, siphons, fountains and kegs, used in the sale of milk, cream, soda water, mineral or aerated waters, porter, ale, cider, ginger ale, small beer, lager beer, Weiss beer, beer, white beer, or other beverages;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Wetherbee,

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS,

Being the consideration of the following:

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That when the legislature adjourns this week it stand adjourned to Tuesday, February 23, at 9 o'clock p. m.; The question being on the adoption of the resolution,
The resolution was adopted.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Sawyer,

The House went into committee of the whole on the general order, whereupon

The Speaker called Mr. Foote to the chair.

After some time spent therein the committee rose, and through their chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following:

1. House bill No. 132 (file No. 47), entitled

A bill to change the name of the township of Pine Plains, in the county of Allegan, to Valley township.

2. House bill No. 186 (file No. 49), entitled

A bill to provide for the maintaining of actions by and against unincorporated voluntary associations, clubs and societies.

3. House bill No. 171 (file No. 50), entitled

A bill to amend continuous paragraph 7449, being Sec. 34 of Chap. 262 of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan.

Have made no amendemnts thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend their passage.

The committee of the whole have also had under consideration the following:

4. House bill No. 83 (file No. 31), entitled

A bill to provide for the analysis of water in use by the public in certain cases.

Have made sundry amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend its passage.

Charles E. Foote,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The first, second and third named bills were placed on the order of third reading.

On motion of Mr. Sawyer,

The House concurred in the amendments made by the committee to the fourth named bill, and it was placed on the order of third reading.

On motion of Mr. Sawyer,

The House took up the order of

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 17, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That when the legislature adjourns this week it stand adjourned to Tuesday, February 23, at 9 o'clock p. m.;

Now to inform the House that the Senate has amended the same to read as follows:

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That when the legislature adjourns Friday, February 19, it stand adjourned until Tuesday, February 23, at 9 o'clock p. m.;

In the adoption of which as thus amended the Senate has concurred.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The question being on concurring in the amendment made by the Senate to the resolution,
The House concurred.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 17, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 407, entitled

A bill to legalize taxes assessed in the city of Muskegon for the years 1890 to 1895 inclusive;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 17, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 292, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 242 of the local acts of 1885, entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Quincy in Branch county," approved February 16, 1885;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

Mr. Kelly, by unanimous consent, offered the following:

WHEREAS, Large sums of money are annually appropriated and used by the various institutions of this State to carry on their running expenses and a large portion of the money being used in the purchasing of supplies, it is apparent that no satisfactory system exists whereby the people and taxpayers of this State are informed as to how purchases are made. It is also charged that in the matter of purchases Michigan people are discriminated against and that higher prices are paid for supplies than would be if a proper system were inaugurated; therefore be it

Resolved by the House (the Senate concurring), That a joint committee be appointed to consist of five members from the House and three members from the Senate to be appointed by the Speaker of the House and President of the Senate for the purpose of investigating the matter of purchases by the various institutions of this State for the past four years; and

Resolved, That the officers and purchasing agents of the various State institutions be and are hereby required to give full information on any matter pertaining to purchase by them that may be required by the committee; and

Resolved, That the committee be authorized to send for persons and papers.

Laid over one day under the rules.

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Thursday, February 18, 1897.

The House met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Moore.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. Buskirk, Campbell, Lee and Niedermeier.

On motion of Mr. Pearson,

Leave of absence was granted to all absentees for the day.

On motion of Mr. Goodell,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Campbell for tomorrow.

On motion of Mr. Dudley,

Leave of absence was granted to himself for tomorrow.

On motion of Mr. Connors,

Leave of absence was granted to committee on Eastern Asylum for the remainder of the week.

On motion of Mr. C. G. Babcock,

Leave of absence was granted to himself for the remainder of the week.

On motion of Mr. Bemis,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Caldwell for the remainder of the week.

On motion of Mr. M. G. Moore,

Leave of absence was granted to himself until next Wednesday.

On motion of Mr. Powers,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Rulison indefinitely.

Mr. Coad moved to reconsider the vote by which the House adopted the following:

Resolved, That the Speaker of the House be and is hereby directed to appoint a committee of three members of the House, whose duty it shall

be to investigate and report to the House any violation of the law relative to freight charges or tariff for the transportation of property on the part of the railway companies operating and doing business under the general law or under special charters, and to report such remedial legislation with reference thereto as the exigencies of the subject matter of the report may demand; and be it further

Resolved, That such committee be and is hereby authorized to subpoena witnesses, to examine books and papers, and to employ such other assistance as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this resolution: Provided, however, That said committee shall hold its sessions at the capitol in the city of Lansing; and be it further

Resolved, That said committee be and is hereby instructed to report to this House its doings under this resolution within 30 days after the appointment of said committee;

On which motion,

Mr. Atkinson demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded, and the motion did not prevail by yeas and nays as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Anderson	Mr. Foote	Mr. Peek
Babcock, C. G.	Fuller	Phillips, C. C.
Bates	Gillam	Powers
Cahoon	Goodyear	Putney
Camburn	Hammond	Reed
Coad	Harris	Savage
Connors	Kimmis	Shepard, F. M.
Cousins	Madill	Shepherd, F.
Davis	Mayer	Smith
Dudley	Moore, M. G.	Tefft
Edgar	O'Dett	Whitney
Fleischhauer	Pearson	Speaker

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Mr. Adams	Mr. Gibson	Mr. Otis
Alward	Goodell	Perry
Atkinson	Graham	Peters
Babcock, H.	Green	Petrowsky
Bemis	Gustin	Sawyer
Bricker	Herrig	Scully
Bryan	Hofmeister	Stewart
Clark	Jackson	Stoneman
Clute	January	Vought
Colvin	Kelly	Washer
Crippen	Lusk	Weier
Dickinson, J. H.	Marsilje	Wetherbee
Dickinson, L. D.	Miller	Widoe
Donovan	Molster	Williams
Elkhoff	Moore, E. W.	Zimmerman
Foster	Oberdorffer	

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The Speaker called the Speaker *pro tem* to the chair.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 172. By Mr. Gillam: Petition of the Alcona Rod and Gun Club for an act prohibiting the killing of deer in the lower peninsula until 1900.

On demand of Mr. Gillam,

The petition was read at length and spread at large on the Journal, as follows:

To the Honorable the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan in Legislature convened:

The petition of the subscribers, citizens of the county of Alcona and members of the Alcona Rod and Gun Club, respectfully petition the passage of an act to prohibit the hunting, capturing, worrying, wounding and killing of "deer" in the county of Alcona, of the State of Michigan, for the period of three years, and to provide a penalty for the violation thereof. That no person or persons shall hunt, capture, kill, worry or wound any "deer" in the lower peninsula of the State of Michigan until after the first day of January, 1900, and any person or persons violating this provision shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of \$25 and costs of prosecution, or thirty days imprisonment in the county jail, or both such fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the court.

Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

No. 173. By Mr. Hammond: Petition of West Avon Farmers' Club asking the passage of the bill relative to salaries of county officers.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 174. By Mr. Camburn: Petition of Lucius Lilley and 50 others for a board of examination and registration in medicine.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 175. By Mr. Otis: Petition of 400 residents of Allegan county against any legislation prohibiting the spearing of mullet, grass pike, red-sides and suckers in the Kalamazoo river in that county.

Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

No. 176. By Mr. Molster: Petition of Samuel McKee and 107 others relative to direct legislation.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 177. By Mr. Peek: Petition of 56 residents of Jackson asking for the passage of H. B. 161, providing for employment of convict labor.

Referred to the committee on Labor.

No. 178. By Mr. F. M. Shepherd: Petition of C. R. Woodin and 78 other taxpayers of Shiawassee county in favor of the passage of House bill No. 198, known as "County salary bill."

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 179. By Mr. Donovan: Petition of members of "Pitcher School Mothers' Club" of Detroit, asking the passage of the Donovan "Curfew bill."

Referred to the committee on City Corporations.

No. 180. By Mr. Weier: Petition of 84 citizens of Monroe county relative to public shooting grounds in Lake Erie.

Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

No. 181. By Mr. Weier: Petition of 54 citizens of Monroe county relative to public shooting grounds in Lake Erie.

Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

No. 182. By Mr. Weier: Petition of 56 citizens of Monroe county relative to public shooting grounds in Lake Erie.

Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

No. 183. By Mr. Weier: Petition of 62 citizens of Monroe county relative to public shooting grounds in Lake Erie.

Referred to committee on Fisheries and Game.

No. 184. By Mr. Weier: Petition of 24 citizens of Monroe county relative to public shooting grounds in Lake Erie.

Referred to committee on Fisheries and Game.

No. 185. By Mr. Powers: Petition of Isabella Club of Vicksburg, Kalamazoo county, 34 members, asking the passage of the bill to prohibit the manufacture and sale of cigarettes.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 186. By Mr. H. Shepherd: Petition of H. K. Jones and 14 others of Detroit relative to bills against quackery.

Referred to committee on Public Health.

No. 187. By Mr. H. Shepherd: Petition of J. L. Benedict and 55 others of Brown City, Sanilac county, relative to bills against quackery.

Referred to committee on Public Health.

No. 188. By Mr. F. Shephard: Petition of J. W. Weed, M. D., and 82 others of Brown City, Sanilac county, relative to bills against quackery.

Referred to committee on Public Health.

No. 189. By Mr. F. Shephard: Petition of A. Thompson and 67 others of Lexington, Sanilac county relative to bills against quackery.

Referred to committee on Public Health.

No. 190. By Mr. F. Shephard: Petition of J. West and 22 others of Deckerville, Sanilac county, relative to bills against quackery.

Referred to committee on Public Health.

No. 191. By Mr. F. Shephard: Petition of W. F. Reed, M. D., and 43 others of Cheboygan, Cheboygan county, relative to bills against quackery.

Referred to committee on Public Health.

No. 192. By Mr. F. Shephard: Petition of A. M. Gerow, M. D., and 26 others, of Cheboygan, relative to bills against quackery.

Referred to committee on Public Health.

No. 193. By Mr. Molster (by request): Petition of N. F. Brown and 37 others of Detroit, relative to bills against quackery.

Referred to committee on Public Health.

No. 194. By Mr. Oberdorffer: Petition of G. W. Earl and 19 others of Myer township, Menominee county, relative to bills against quackery.

Referred to committee on Public Health.

No. 195. By Mr. Graham: Petition of J. M. Compton and 20 others of Grand Rapids, relative to bills against quackery.

Referred to committee on Public Health.

No. 196. By Mr. L. D. Dickinson: Petition of W. E. Wilson and 41 others of Grand Ledge, Eaton county, relative to bill against quackery. Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 197. By Mr. Crippen: Petition of R. H. Sturgeon, M. D., and 52 others, of Iron River, Iron county, relative to the bills against quackery. Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 198. By Mr. F. Shepherd: Petition of J. E. Lutz and 27 others of Yale, St. Clair county, relative to the bills against quackery. Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 199. By Mr. Gustin: Petition of Geo. Crawford and 27 other taxpayers of the village of Atlanta asking that the Auditor General be permitted to sell single lots held as State bids, in the village of Atlanta. Referred to the committee on General Taxation.

No. 200. By Mr. C. G. Babcock: Petition of E. J. Allen and 41 others of Coldwater, Branch county, relative to the bills against quackery. Referred to the committee on Public Health.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on Education:

The committee on Education, to whom was referred

House bill No. 80, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of an act entitled "An act to organize the union school district of the city of Alpena," approved April 4, 1873, and acts amendatory thereof;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. Bemis,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Gustin,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Alward	Gillam	Mr. Pearson
Anderson	Goodyear	Peek
Atkinson	Graham	Perry
Babcock, C. G.	Green	Petrowsky
Bates	Gustin	Phillips, C. C.
Bryan	Hammond	Powers
Cahoon	Harris	Putney
Camburn	Henrig	Savage
Clark	Hofmeister	Sawyer
Clute	Jackson	Scully
Coad	January	Shepard, F. M.
Colvin	Kelly	Shepherd, F.

Mr. Connors

Cousins

Crippen

Davis

Dickinson, J. H.

Dickinson, L. D.

Donovan

Dudley

Eikhoff

Fleischhauer

Foote

Foster

Gibson

Mr. Kerr

Kimmis

Lusk

Madill

Marsilje

Mayer

Miller

Molster

Moore, E. W.

Oberdorffer

O'Dett

Otis

Mr. Smith

Stewart

Tefft

Vought

Washer.

Weler

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Gustin,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

By the committee on State Affairs:

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 264, entitled

A bill to promote morality.

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House with amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. S. Williams,

Acting Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Williams,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State Affairs:

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred

House joint resolution No. 13, entitled

A joint resolution to designate and adopt a State flower;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House with amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. S. Williams,

Acting Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Williams,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

On motion of Mr. Williams,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill having been read a third time and the question being upon its passage, pending the taking of the vote thereon,

Mr. Crippen moved that the further consideration of the bill be indefinitely postponed;

Pending which,

On motion of Mr. Gillam,

The bill was referred to the committee on Railroads.

Mr. Donovan moved to reconsider the vote by which the House referred House bill No. 264, entitled

A bill to promote morality,

To the committee of the whole and ordered placed on the general order;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Donovan,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The bill was then read a third time, and

Pending the vote thereon,

On motion of Mr. Adams,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on Military Affairs:

The committee on Military Affairs, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 105, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 178 of the public acts of 1887, entitled "An act to prevent persons from unlawfully using or wearing the badge of the Grand Army of the Republic in this State, or the badge of the Loyal Legion of the United States," approved April 19, 1887;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Edwin S. Williams,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Williams,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Judiciary:

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 302, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 55 of Chap. 154 of the revised statutes of 1846, entitled "Offenses against property," as amended by act No. 110 of the public acts of 1885, being Sec. 9176a of Howell's annotated statutes;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. J. Sawyer,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Judiciary:

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred
House bill No. 448, entitled

A bill to provide for the appraisement of real estate or any interest therein, offered for sale at mortgage sale, sheriff's sale or chancery sale, and to prohibit the sale thereof at less than two-thirds of its appraised value;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

A. J. Sawyer,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Adams,

The request was granted, and the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee.

By the committee on Judiciary:

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred
House bill No. 361, entitled

A bill to provide for the distribution of the estates of insolvents, the jurisdiction, power and duties of certain courts and officers therein, the discharge of the debtor and the punishment of fraudulent, and other prohibited acts in relation to the subject matter, being a general insolvency law;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to report the same back to the House and recommend that the bill be printed and referred to the committee on Revision and Amendment of our Present Statutes.

A. J. Sawyer,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Sawyer,

The request was granted and the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee and referred to the committee on Revision and Amendment of Present Statutes.

By the committee on Elections:

The committee on Elections, to whom was referred
House bill No. 168, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 17 and 26 of act No. 202 of the public acts of 1893, entitled "An act to prescribe the manner of conducting and to prevent fraud and (deception) deceptions at elections in this State:

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. E. Stewart,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Ways and Means:

The committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred
House bill No. 110 (file No. 71), entitled

A bill to provide for the encouragement of the manufacture of beet sugar and to provide a compensation therefor, and to make an appropriation therefor;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House with amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Charles Smith,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Smith,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor

House bill No. 292, entitled

An act to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 242 of the local acts of 1885, entitled "An act to reincorporate the village of Quincy, in Branch county," approved February 16, 1885;

For which your committee hold the receipt of the Executive Office dated February 18, 1897, at 10:35 o'clock a. m.

Geo. E. Gillam,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor

Joint resolution No. 16, entitled

Joint resolution to allow members of the board of supervisors of Newaygo county compensation for time spent in extra session in investigating the books and general financial condition of said county, and the disappearance from the clerk's office of certain records and files.;

For which your committee hold the receipt of the Executive Office dated February 18, 1897, at 10:35 o'clock a. m.

Geo. E. Gillam,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor,

House bill No. 407, entitled

An act to legalize taxes assessed in the city of Muskegon for the years 1890 to 1895 inclusive;

For which your committee hold the receipt of the Executive Office dated February 18, 1897, at 11:20 o'clock a. m.

Geo. E. Gillam,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor,

House bill No. 340, entitled

An act to provide for the incorporation of labor associations;

For which your committee hold the receipt of the Executive Office dated February 18, 1897, at 11:35 o'clock a. m.

Geo. E. Gillam,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Ways and Means:

The committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred

House bill No. 267, entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the Michigan School for the Blind for the year 1897 and the year 1898;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Charles Smith,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Towns and Counties.

The committee on Towns and Counties, to whom was referred

House bill No. 252, entitled

A bill to vacate the township of Foster, in the county of Ogemaw, and to incorporate its territory within the adjoining township of Rose, in Ogemaw county;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without

amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

T. M. Camburn,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Gillam,
The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on Towns and Counties:

The committee on Towns and Counties, to whom was referred
House bill No. 251, entitled

A bill to vacate the township of Logan, in the county of Ogemaw, and to incorporate its territory within the adjoining township of Churchill, in Ogemaw county;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

T. M. Camburn,
Chairman.

Report accepted, and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Gillam,
The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on Towns and Counties:

The committee on Towns and Counties, to whom was referred
House bill No. 253, entitled

A bill to vacate the township of Mills, in the county of Ogemaw, and to incorporate its territory within the adjoining township of Horton, in Ogemaw county;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

T. M. Camburn,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Gillam,
The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on Towns and Counties:

The committee on Towns and Counties, to whom was referred
House bill No. 254, entitled

A bill to vacate Beaver Lake township, Ogemaw county;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

T. M. Camburn,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Gillam,
The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on Towns and Counties:

The committee on Towns and Counties, to whom was referred
House bill No. 341, entitled

A bill to authorize the township of James in Saginaw county to borrow money on its bonds to build a pier under the Merrill bridge in said township;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

T. M. Camburn,

Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Towns and Counties:

The committee on Towns and Counties, to whom was referred
House bill No. 288, entitled

A bill to authorize a change of date of the meeting of the board of supervisors of Bay county, as provided for by Sec. 324, page. 167, of Howell's annotated statutes of the State of Michigan;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

T. M. Camburn,

Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Soldiers' Home:

The committee on Soldiers' Home, to whom was referred
House bill No. 62, entitled

A bill making an appropriation for Michigan Soldiers' Home, 1897 and 1898;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House with amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

D. Judson Hammond,

Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

By the committee on Judiciary:

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred
House bill No. 219, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 2, 3 and 4 of act No. 95 of the session laws of 1887, being Secs. 7629b, 7629c and 7629d of Howell's annotated statutes.

entitled "An act in relation to jurors in courts of record in the county of Wayne, and to revise the laws relative thereto," approved May 6, 1887;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying substitute therefor, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 2, 3 and 4 of act No. 95 of the session laws of 1887, being Secs. 7629b, 7629c and 7629d of Howell's annotated statutes, entitled "An act in relation to jurors in courts of record in the county of Wayne, and to revise the laws relative thereto," approved May 6, 1887;

Recommending that the substitute be concurred in, and that the substitute do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. J. Sawyer,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Sawyer,

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by the committee

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Drainage:

The committee on Drainage, to whom was referred
House bill No. 408, entitled

A bill to provide for issuing bonds by the townships in the counties of St. Clair, Sanilac, Huron, Tuscola and Lapeer for raising money to construct and maintain drains;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to request of the House that 500 extra copies of the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

Richard Pearson,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Pearson,

The request was granted and 500 extra copies of the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee.

By the committee on Drainage:

The committee on Drainage, to whom was referred
House bill No. 370, entitled

A bill to provide for the construction and maintenance of drains, and the assessment and collection of taxes therefor, and to repeal all other laws relative thereto;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to request of the House that 500 extra copies of the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

Richard Pearson,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Pearson,

The request was granted and 500 extra copies of the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee.

By the committee on Railroads:

The committee on Railroads, to whom was referred
House bill No. 412, entitled

A bill to prevent discrimination between passengers and shippers of freight on railroads in this State, and to provide a penalty therefor;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

W. E. Foote,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Foote,

The request was granted, and the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee.

By the committee on State Affairs:

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred
House joint resolution No. 2, entitled

Joint resolution authorizing the payment of moneys expended for Henry O. Barker, an indigent insane soldier, at the Kalamazoo asylum;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Henry Lee,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State Affairs:

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred
House bill No. 281, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of act No. 48 of the public acts of 1893, entitled "An act to amend Sec. 2 of act No. 70 of the public acts of 1877, entitled 'An act for the more effectual prevention of cruelty to animals,' approved April 25, 1877, being Sec. 9392 of Howell's annotated statutes;"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Henry Lee,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State Affairs:

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred
House bill No. 88, entitled

A bill to fix the per diem compensation of members of the State legislature from the upper peninsula for and during the session of 1897;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without

amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Henry Lee,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Speaker announced the following:

STATE OF MICHIGAN,
EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Lansing, February 18, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved, signed and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State,

House bill No. 407, being

An act to legalize taxes assessed in the city of Muskegon for the years 1890 to 1895, inclusive.

Respectfully,

H. S. Pingree,
Governor.

The message was ordered spread on the Journal.

The Speaker also announced the following:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Lansing, February 17, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved, signed and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State,

House bill No. 279, being

An act to provide for the extension, construction and maintenance of the Whitehall road and the Holton road, through the city of North Muskegon, same being county roads of the county of Muskegon, established by the board of county road commissioners of the county of Muskegon.

Respectfully,

H. S. Pingree,
Governor.

The message was ordered spread on the Journal.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 18, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 177, entitled

A bill to authorize the township of Tawas, Iosco county, to issue bonds for the purpose of borrowing money with which to pay a judgment debt;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has been ordered to take immediate effect, and in all of which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

**Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.**

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Local Taxation.

The Speaker also announced the following:

**SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 18, 1897.**

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 176, entitled

A bill authorizing the city of Tawas City to issue bonds for the purpose of borrowing money with which to pay a judgment debt;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has been ordered to take immediate effect, and in all of which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

**Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.**

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Local Taxation.

The Speaker also announced the following:

**SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 17, 1897.**

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 274, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 377 of the local acts of 1877, entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Sherwood, in Branch county;"

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

**Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.**

The bill was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

NOTICES.

Mr. Coad gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend act 58 of the laws of Michigan of 1895, entitled "An act to amend Sec. 2, 28 and 30 of act 187 of the session laws of 1887, providing for incorporation of co-operative and mutual benefit associations, etc."

Mr. Crippen gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend act No. 213 of the public acts of 1887, relative to mine inspectors.

Mr. January gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 21 of an act entitled "An act to establish a board of public works in and for the city of Detroit," approved April 20, 1873,

Mr. January gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 9 of Chap. 11 of an act entitled "An act to provide for a charter for the city of Detroit, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith," approved June 7, 1883, as amended by an act, approved June 2, 1889.

Mr. January gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of an act entitled "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to provide a charter for the city of Detroit,' and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith, approved June 7, 1883, by adding a new chapter thereto," approved March 18, 1893.

Mr. January gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 10 of Chap. 10 of an act entitled "An act to provide for a charter for the city of Detroit, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith," approved June 7, 1883.

Mr. January gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 3 of Chap. 4 of an act entitled "An act to provide for a charter for the city of Detroit, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith," approved June 1, 1883.

Mr. January gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 57 of Chap. 7 of an act entitled "An act to provide for a charter for the city of Detroit, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith," approved June 7, 1883, as amended by an act, approved June 25, 1887.

Mr. January gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 13 of Chap. 7 of an act entitled "An act to provide for a charter for the city of Detroit, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith," approved June 7, 1883, as amended by an act approved June 2, 1887.

Mr. January gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 17 of Chap. 5 of an act entitled "An act to provide for a charter for the city of Detroit, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith," approved June 7, 1883.

Mr. January gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 5 of Chap. 5 of an act entitled "An act to provide for a charter for the city of Detroit, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith," approved June 7, 1883.

Mr. January gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 33 of Chap. 4 of an act entitled "An act to provide for a charter for the city of Detroit, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith," approved June 7, 1883, as amended by an act June 2, 1887.

Mr. January gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of Chap. 5 of an act entitled "An act to provide for a charter for the city of Detroit, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith," approved June 7, 1883, as amended by an act June 2, 1887.

Mr. January gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 19 of Chap. 4 of an act entitled "An act to provide for a charter for the city of Detroit, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith," approved June 7, 1883.

Mr. January gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to regulate primary elections in this State.

Mr. January gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Secs. 2, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 21 of an act entitled "An act to authorize the city of Detroit to take private property for the use and benefit of the public," approved June 4, 1895.

Mr. January gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to require all boards and commissions to hold their official meetings in public.

Mr. January gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of Chap. 4 of an act entitled "An act to provide for a charter for the city of Detroit, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith," approved June 7, 1883, as amended by an act approved June 2, 1887.

Mr. January gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of Chap. 10 of an act entitled "An act to provide for a charter for the city of Detroit, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith," approved June 7, 1883.

Mr. January gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 61 of Chap. 7 of an act entitled "An act to provide for a charter for the city of Detroit, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith," approved June 7, 1883, as amended by an act approved June 1, 1895.

Mr. Foster gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill making appropriations for the State House of Correction at Ionia.

Mr. Gustin gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Alpena.

Mr. Gustin gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to incorporate the city of Alpena.

Mr. Peters gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to incorporate the Sewer Club of the city of Detroit.

Mr. Gustin gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the union school district of the city of Alpena.

Mr. O'Dett gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to empower the school board of school district No. 3, Riley township, St. Clair county, to lease certain school property.

Mr. Petrowsky gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend labor law relative to child labor.

Mr. Jos. H. Dickinson gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 30, Chap. 7, charter of the city of Detroit.

Mr. C. G. Babcock gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Coldwater, Branch county.

Mr. Clute gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Chaps. 30 and 31 of the charter of the cities of the fourth class in regard to finance and taxation.

Mr. Caldwell gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to empower the board of school inspectors of Richland township, in the county of Missaukee, to establish a school district in said township.

Mr. Molster gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Detroit.

Mr. Green gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend and revise the charter of Port Huron.

Mr. Reed gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to detach certain territory from the city of Big Rapids, in the county of Mecosta, in the State of Michigan, and to attach such territory to the township of Big Rapids, in said county.

Mr. Van Camp gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the act incorporating the city of Benton Harbor, and to change the boundaries of the wards of said city.

Mr. Hammond gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act, entitled "An act for the incorporation of cities of the fourth class."

Mr. Donovan gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of Chap. 1 of local act No. 306, approved ——— 28, 1887, entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Pinconning," and to repeal act No. 528 (523) of the local acts of the legislature of this State for the year 1887, entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Pinconning, in Bay county, Michigan."

Mr. Stewart gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend health board act, city of Detroit, and provide for commission.

Mr. Green gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of Port Huron in regard to special assessments.

Mr. Eikboff gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend charter of city of Detroit.

Mr. Colvin gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend act No. 356 of the local acts of 1889 entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Merrill in Saginaw county," by adding one section thereto to stand as Sec. 6.

Mr. Obardorffer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 7 of act No. 149 of the public acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for a county and township system of roads and to prescribe the powers and duties of the officers having charge thereof."

Mr. Putney gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to disorganize school district No. 7 in township of Worth, Sanilac county.

Mr. Obardorffer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to repeal act No. 29 of the public acts of 1887, entitled "An act to provide for the payment of bounties for the killing of English sparrows," the same being Secs. 2259b, 2259c and 2259d of Howell's annotated statutes as amended by act No. 189 of the public acts of 1895, and all other acts amendatory thereof.

Mr. Davis gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to repeal the charter of the Erie & Mt. Clemens Plank Road Co.

Mr. Billings gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to create a light and power commission for the city of Marquette.

Mr. McGill gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill making an appropriation for the Michigan School for the Deaf for the years 1897 and 1898.

Mr. McGill gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to enable the owners of lands in the West Michigan Park Association plat, being a part of Sec. 33 in township 5 north, of range 16 west, Ottawa county, to obtain the benefits of the highway taxes assessed against their lands, by requiring the township authorities of said township to expend by the construction and improvement of roads and sidewalks on said plat at least 75 per cent of the amount collected for said lands on account of highway taxes.

Mr. McGill gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to establish a recorder's court for the city of Grand Rapids, and to define the jurisdiction of the same.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Madill, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 452, entitled

A bill imposing a specific tax upon persons, firms, corporations and chartered companies engaged in the business of exporting minerals out of this State, or mining, smelting and refining ores in this State, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts contravening any of the provisions of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Mines and Minerals.

Mr. Cousins, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 453, entitled

A bill to amend compiler's Sec. 9093 of Howell's annotated statutes of 1882, relative to offenses against persons.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Peek, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 454, entitled

A bill appropriating money for the use of the Michigan Asylum for Dangerous and Criminal Insane.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Asylum for Criminal Insane.

Mr. Sawyer, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 455, entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of the "Students' Christian Association of the University of Michigan."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Religious and Benevolent Societies.

Mr. Sawyer, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 456, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 206 of the public acts of 1893, being an act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal act No. 200 of the public acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act," by adding thereto one section to be known as Sec. 139, providing for the enforcing and collection of taxes upon lands bid off to the State under decrees or at tax sales that were in contravention of the provisions of law.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Sawyer, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 457, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 61 and 66 of act No. 206 of the session laws of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State, and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal act No. 200 of the public acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Sawyer, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 458, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to reincorporate the city of Ann Arbor, revise the charter of said city and repeal all conflicting acts relating thereto," being act No. 331 of the local acts of Michigan of 1889, approved March 15, 1889, as amended by act No. 262 of the local acts of 1891, approved March 28, 1891, as amended by act No. 282 of the local acts of 1891, approved April 10, 1891, as amended by act No. 368 of the local acts of 1893, approved April 27, 1893, by amending Secs. 2, 5, 17, 31, 33, 34, 61, 69, 107, 111 and 133.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Sawyer, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 459, entitled

A bill to enlarge the powers of the circuit courts of the State of Michigan and to improve the practice therein on actions at law and in equity.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Lusk, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 460, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 8713 of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan relating to statutes of limitation.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Sawyer, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 461, entitled

A bill to define the jurisdiction of the courts of this State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Lusk, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 462, entitled

A bill to provide for proceedings in garnishment against persons who converted or embezzled property or money, and to add a new section, to be numbered 51, to an act entitled "An act to authorize proceedings by garnishment in the circuit court and district court of the upper peninsula."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Sawyer, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 463, entitled

A bill to provide that registers in chancery shall be designated as clerks of the circuit court.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. C. C. Phillips, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 464, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 11 of Chap. 229 of the compiled laws of 1871, being compiler's Sec. 8723 of Howell's annotated statutes, relative to limitation of personal actions.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. C. C. Phillips, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 465, entitled

A bill to revise, amend and consolidate the laws relating to the incorporation of manufacturing corporations, and to repeal all existing acts and parts of acts conflicting therewith.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. C. C. Phillips,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. C. C. Phillips, unanimous consent having been given, introduced House bill No. 466, entitled

A bill to revise, amend and consolidate the laws relating to the incorporation of mining corporations and to repeal all existing acts and parts of acts conflicting therewith.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. C. C. Phillips,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Zimmerman, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 467, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 1 and 2 of act No. 391 of the local acts of 1895, relative to the care of persons sick with contagious diseases in St. Clair county, entitled "An act to make townships and cities in St. Clair county primarily liable for the payment of all claims incurred in the care of persons sick with contagious diseases, or diseases dangerous to the public health, or incurred in preventing the spread of such diseases where the county is now primarily liable for such payment.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Zimmerman, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 468, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of act No. 188 of the public acts of 1875, as amended by act No. 53 of the public acts of 1885, being compiler's Sec. 2175 of Howell's annotated statutes, entitled "An act to regulate the catching of fish in certain waters of this State."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Harris, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 469, entitled

A bill making appropriation for the Michigan Home for the Feeble Minded and Epileptic for the years 1897 and 1898.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Home for Feeble Minded.

Mr. E. W. Moore, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 470, entitled

A bill to incorporate societies for the study of literature, for general culture and for educational, industrial and philanthropic work.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. E. W. Moore,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. E. W. Moore, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 471, entitled

A bill making an appropriation of \$10,000 to the county of Calhoun, State of Michigan, to aid said county in removing obstructions from the Kalamazoo river, and otherwise improving the flow of water therein, in said county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. E. W. Moore,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. E. W. Moore, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 472, entitled

A bill to prevent the pollution of the water in all lakes and streams, and of the water of all feeders to such lakes and streams within the State of Michigan, used as a source of water supply for domestic purposes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Mr. E. W. Moore, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 473, entitled

A bill providing that no person employed on a newspaper shall be compelled to disclose in any legal proceedings the source of information procured by him and published in the newspaper on which he is engaged.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. E. W. Moore, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 474, entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the use of the State Board of Health, to enable it to comply with act 146 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for teaching in the public schools the modes by which the dangerous communicable diseases are spread and the best methods for the restriction and prevention of such diseases," and for the general purposes for which the State Board of Health exists.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Public Health.

Mr. E. W. Moore, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 475, entitled

A bill to repeal act No. 42 of the legislature of Michigan, passed at the annual session of 1846, entitled "An act to authorize the sale of the Central Railroad and to incorporate the Michigan Central Railroad Company, approved March 28, 1846, and to designate a board to adjust any claims for damages on account of said repeal, and to authorize the incorporation of said railroad company under the general railroad laws of this State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Railroads.

Mr. E. W. Moore, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 476, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 135 of act No. 206 of the public acts of 1898, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy

and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the land taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal act No. 200 of the public acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act," and to repeal all other acts or parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Foote (by request), unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 477, entitled

A bill to provide for the protection of the reputation and good name of certain persons.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Kimmis, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 478, entitled

A bill to provide for the purchase and display of United States flags in connection with the public school buildings within this State and to repeal act No. 58 of the public acts of 1895.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Kimmis, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 479, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 7 of the session laws of 1881, being Sec. 418 of Howell's annotated statutes, relative to State institutions and regulations relating thereto, as amended by act No. 86 of the public acts of 1889.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Kimmis, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 480, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 5 of act No. 176 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act empowering the Governor and Board of State Auditors to authorize the rebuilding or repair of any building owned by the State of Michigan which may at any time be destroyed by fire, explosion or other accident, and making a contingent appropriation therefor."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Green, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 481, entitled

A bill to require county treasurers to make statements to cities, villages and townships of past-due taxes collected by them during the preceding month.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Green,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Green, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 482, entitled

A bill to provide for proceedings in the nature of proceedings for discovery in actions or proceedings commenced in any of the courts of record of this State and to provide for the examination of parties to such proceedings and to compel the production of books and papers.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Green, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 483, entitled

A bill to repeal act No. 37 of the public acts of the session of 1893, approved April 19, 1893.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Bates, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 484, entitled

A bill to provide for a stenographer for the probate court of the county of Genesee.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Lusk, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 485, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 8713 of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Lusk, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 486, entitled

A bill to encourage the propagation and culture of black bass, green bass, pickerel, silver bass, perch, rock bass in the Saginaw river and its tributaries and to repeal all acts and parts of acts so far as they are inconsistent with the provisions of this act, and to provide a penalty for the violation of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Lusk, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 487, entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of fees to the county of Bay and the clerk thereof in suits and proceedings in the circuit court for said county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Alward, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 488, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 17 of Chap. 175 of the compiled laws of 1871, entitled "An act to define the limits, jurisdiction and powers of circuit courts," said section being 6474 of Howell's statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Alward, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 489, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 29, act 155, session laws of 1858, entitled "An act to provide for the formation of companies to construct roads," as amended by subsequent acts, being Sec. 3598 of Chap. 96 of Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Alward, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 490, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 17 of act No. 62, session laws of 1848, approved March 13, 1848, entitled "An act relative to plank roads," as amended by subsequent acts, being Sec. 3582 of Chap. 96 of Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. F. Shepherd, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 491, entitled

A bill to amend act 149 of the public acts of 1893, by adding new sections thereto.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. F. Shepherd, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 492, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 12 of act No. 137 of the laws of 1849, relative to authorizing proceedings against garnishees, as amended, being Sec. 8042 of Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. F. Shepherd, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 493, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 34 of act No. 264 of the laws of 1861, entitled "An act to authorize proceedings by garnishment in the circuit courts and the district court of the upper peninsula," being Sec. 8090 of Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. F. Shepherd, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 494, entitled

A bill to authorize the board of education of the city of Cheboygan to borrow money for the purpose of paying floating indebtedness.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. F. Shepherd, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 495, entitled

A bill to create a forestry commission and to define its powers and duties.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Gillam, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 496, entitled

A bill to provide for the construction of a drain in the township of Augres, Arenac county, from Duck Lake to Saginaw Bay, and authorizing the board of control of State swamp lands to make an appropriation of State swamp lands for said purpose.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Drainage.

Mr. Kelley, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 497, entitled

A bill to prohibit the use of snow flangers upon locomotives in this State and to provide a penalty therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Railroads.

Mr. Mayer, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 498, entitled

A bill authorizing the Commissioner of the State Land Office to have trespass agents adjust and collect all trespasses committed upon State tax lands.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Public Lands.

Mr. Foster, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 499, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 206 of the public acts of 1893, being "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed, establishing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal act No. 200 of the public acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening the provisions of this act," by adding thereto five new sections to be known as Secs. 140, 141, 142, 143 and 144, providing for the giving of notices by tax purchasers to the occupants or persons having title to, or interest in such lands of the fact of such sale; and providing for terms upon which such occupant or other persons interested in such lands may obtain reconveyance thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Foster, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 500, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 206 of the public acts of 1893, being "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the same and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal act No. 200 of the public acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening the provisions of this act," by adding thereto a section to be known as Sec. 138, providing for the sale of lands returned under the provisions of any general tax law in force prior to the passage of act No. 200 of the public acts of 1891.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Fuller, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 501, entitled

A bill to authorize the village of Munising in the county of Alger and State of Michigan to borrow money with which to purchase or construct a water works plant or any other public improvement for said village.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Connors, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 502, entitled

A bill to amend act 533 of the local acts of 1887, entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Sault Ste Marie and to repeal an act entitled 'An act to re-incorporate the village of Sault Ste. Marie,' " approved May 29, 1879, as amended.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Connors,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Connors, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 503, entitled

A bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Chippewa county to bond said county for the sum of \$40,000 for a period not to exceed 15 years to pay an indebtedness to the State of Michigan, and other indebtedness already incurred.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Local Taxation.

Mr. Connors, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 504, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 7 of act No. 149 of the public acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for a county and township system of roads, and to prescribe the powers and duties of the officers having charge thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Mr. Vought, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 505, entitled

A bill relative to detaching a portion of union school district No. 1 of the townships of Pine River and Bethany, Gratiot county, Michigan, and attaching the same to school district No. 1 in said township of Pine River.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Clute, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 506, entitled

A bill to reorganize the several road districts of the townships of Michigan, and to fix the rate of assessment for highway purposes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Mr. Clute, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 507, entitled

A bill to provide for the use of certificates of deaths in Michigan and requiring their return by physicians.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Stewart unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 508, entitled

A bill to prohibit the opening or keeping open of the photographic galleries or studios on the first day of the week, commonly called Sunday, for the purpose of the carrying on, or engaging in the art or calling of photography, or in any work pertaining to the art or calling of a photographer on said first day of the week, commonly called Sunday.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Washer, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 509, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 5, 9, 10, 11 and 13 of act No. 314 of the local acts of the session laws of 1885, approved April 2, 1885.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Washer, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 510, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 3, 6, 11, 13 and 15 of act No. 193 of the session laws of 1895, approved May 22, 1895, entitled "An act to prohibit and prevent the adulteration, fraud and deception in the manufacture and sale of articles of food and drink."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Public Health.

Mr. Washer, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 511, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 4, 5, 6, 9, 11 and 12 of act No. 211 of the session laws of 1893, approved June 2, 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of a Dairy and Food Commissioner, and to define his powers and duties and fix his compensation," as amended by act No. 245 of the session laws of 1895, approved June 1, 1895.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Public Health.

Mr. Stoneman, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 512, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 3 of an act, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of railroad companies, and to regulate the running and management, and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroads, and other corporations owning or operating any railroad in this State," approved May 1, 1873, being act No. 199, session laws of 1873, as amended by act No. 174 of the public acts of 1883, and act No. 174 of the public acts of 1891, and act No. 129 of the public acts of 1893.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Railroads.

Mr. Stoneman, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 513, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 7 of an act to provide for the assessment of property, and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied, approved June 1, 1893.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Stoneman, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 514, entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the use and maintenance for the University of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on University.

Mr. Stoneman, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 515, entitled

A bill to secure safety in the use of local and portable steam boilers and engines, and competency in those that manage the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Stoneman, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 516, entitled

A bill to provide for the determination of the valuation, assessment and taxation of the property of telephone, telegraph, railroad, sleeping and parlor car and express companies, and such other property as is not now valued, assessed and taxed under the provisions of the general laws of this State, and to provide for the collection of such taxes in the locality

in which said property is located, and to repeal all laws or parts of laws in conflict herewith.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Stowman,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Edgar, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 517, entitled

A bill to declare unlawful and void all arrangements, contracts, agreements, trusts or combinations, made with a view to lessen, or which tend to lessen, free competition in the importation or sale of articles imported into, manufactured, grown or produced in this State; or which tend to advance rates or control the price of any such product or article to producer or consumer, and to provide for the punishment of persons, co-partnerships and corporations entering into such arrangements, contracts and agreements, trusts or combinations.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Edgar, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 518, entitled

A bill to regulate the examination and licensing of engineers.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Edgar, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 519, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 115 of the public acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the government, management and control of the State Public School at Coldwater, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act," approved May 26, 1893, by adding thereto one new section to stand as Sec. 17 of said act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Public School.

Mr. Fleischhauer, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 520, entitled

A bill to repeal act No. 357, approved March 18, 1871, entitled "An act to organize the county of Lake," and to attach the territory composing said county to the county of Osceola, and to apportion the property and debts of said county of Lake.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Fleischhauer, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 521, entitled

A bill to consolidate fractional school district No. 5 of the townships of Yates and Cherry Valley, in Lake county, and school district No. 1 of Cherry Valley township.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Fleischhauer,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. M. G. Moore, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 522, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 35 of the session laws of 1867, entitled "An act to provide for the formation of street railway companies," as amended by act No. 222 of the session laws of 1889.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. M. G. Moore, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 523, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 372 of the local acts of 1893, entitled (as amended) "An act to provide for placing on the retired list on reduced pay members of the metropolitan police force of the city of Detroit who shall have become disabled or incapacitated while in the active performance of their official duty, and members of said force and persons in the employ of the police board of said city of Detroit who, after 25 years faithful service, shall have become permanently incapacitated from performing regular active duty."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. M. G. Moore,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. M. G. Moore, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 524, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 12 of act No. 232 of the public acts of 1885, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of all manufacturing companies except such as are contemplated by act No. 42 of the session laws of 1867, which provides for the incorporation of persons or corporations engaged in the manufacture of salt and mercantile companies, or any union of the two, and to fix the duties and liabilities of such corporation, as amended by act No. 164 of the public acts of 1895.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. M. G. Moore,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Otis, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 525, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 13, 15 and 16 of act No. 107 of public acts of 1889 and to add a new section to stand as Sec. 25 of act No. 207 of the public acts of 1889, entitled "An act to prohibit the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale, giving away or furnishing of vinous, malt, brewed, fermented, spirituous or intoxicating liquors, or any mixed liquor or beverage any part of which is intoxicating, and to prohibit the keeping of any saloon or other place for the manufacture, sale, storing for sale, giving away or furnishing of such liquors or beverages, and to suspend the general laws of the State relative to the taxation and regulation of

the manufacture and sale of such liquors in the several counties of this State under certain circumstances; to authorize the qualified electors of the several counties of this State to express their will in regard to such prohibition by an election, and to authorize and empower the board of supervisors of the several counties, after such election, if they shall determine the result to be in favor of such prohibition, to prohibit the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale, giving away or furnishing of vinous, malt, liquors, or the keeping of a saloon or any other place for the manufacture, sale, storing for sale, giving away or furnishing of the same within their respective counties; and to provide for penalties and rights of action in case of its violation.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Camburn, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 526, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 4 of act No. 117 of the public acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the control and management of the Industrial Home for Girls, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict with the provisions of this act."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Industrial Home for Girls.

Mr. Camburn, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 527, entitled

A bill to amend and revise the charter of the city of Adrian.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Davis, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 528, entitled

A bill to provide for the sale of State tax lands.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Widoe, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 529, entitled

A bill to amend subdivision 9 of Sec. 9 of Art. 2 of act No. 198 of the public acts of 1873, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of railroad companies, and to fix and regulate the running and management, and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroads and other corporations owning and operating any railroad in this State."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Railroads.

Mr. Widoe, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 530, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 21, Chap. 4, of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of villages within the State of Michigan, and defining their powers and duties."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Village Corporations.

Mr. Widoe, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 531, entitled

A bill to amend the ninth subdivision of Sec. 1, Chap. 7, of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of villages within the State of Michigan, and defining their powers and duties."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Village Corporations.

Mr. Gustin, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 532, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 12 and 14 of Chap. 124 of the revised statutes of 1846, entitled "The action of replevin," being Secs. 8326 and 8328 of Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Gustin, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 533, entitled

A bill to vacate the township of Greenwood in the county of Oscoda, and to incorporate its territory in the adjoining township of Elmore, in Oscoda county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Gustin, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 534, entitled

A bill to provide for the sale of State tax lands within the incorporated village of Atlanta, county of Montmorency.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Shepard, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 535, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 185 of the public acts of 1893, entitled "An act to amend Sec. 1 of an act entitled 'An act to designate the holidays to be observed in the acceptance and payment of bills of exchange and promissory notes, in the holding of courts, and relative to the continuance of suits,' approved March 8, 1865, as amended by act No. 208 of the session laws of 1881, and to add a new section thereto to stand as Sec. 2 of said act, and as amended by act No. 77 of the public acts of 1873.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Eikhoff, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 536, entitled

A bill to provide for the repeal of Sec. 31 of act No. 313 of the public acts of 1887, entitled "An act to provide for the taxation and regulation

of the business of manufacturing, selling, keeping for sale, furnishing, giving or delivering spirituous and intoxicating liquors, and malt, brewed or fermented liquors and vinous liquors in this State, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act," approved June 28, 1887, the same being Sec. 2283f4 of Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Lusk, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 537, entitled

A bill to authorize the township of Arenac to borrow money upon its bonds for the improvement with stone of certain highways in that township, and to appoint a special commissioner to make such improvements.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Lusk,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Molster, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 538, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 4, 5 "A" of act No. 196 of the public acts of 1893, entitled "An act to regulate the possession, use, transportation and sale of fish and game," approved June 1, 1893, as amended by act No. 223 of the public acts of 1895.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. ———, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 539, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 89 of the tax law of 1893, being act No. 206 of the session laws of the year 1893.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Jackson, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 540, entitled

A bill to provide for the erection and maintenance of shutes or ladders for the passage of fish over the dam across the Maple River at Elsie Mills, town of Du Plain, county of Clinton, and to provide a penalty for violations of the provisions of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Perry, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 541, entitled

A bill to authorize and regulate the printing, publishing and distribution of documents, reports and other matters by the State, and to repeal all acts contravening this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Select Committee on Documents.

Mr. Crippen, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 542, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 3 of act No. 129 of the public acts of 1883, entitled "An act for the organization of telephone and messenger service companies," approved May 31, 1883, and same being Sec. 3718 of the third volume of Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Lee, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 543, entitled

A bill to vacate the village of Hadley in the county of Lapeer.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Lee,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Atkinson, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 544, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of coöperative and mutual benefit associations, and to define the powers and duties and to regulate the transaction of the business of all such corporations doing business within the State," approved June 17, 1887, and the acts amendatory thereof, by adding thereto a new section to stand as Sec. 32.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Atkinson, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 545, entitled

A bill to provide a remedy for persons aggrieved by overcharging by railroad companies, and to provide a penalty for the violation of any provision of the special railroad charters in this State by railroad companies operating under such special charters.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Railroads.

Mr. Atkinson, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 546, entitled

A bill to provide a remedy for persons aggrieved by overcharging by railroad companies, and to provide a penalty of a violation of any provision of the special railroad charters in this State, by railroad companies operating under such special charters.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Railroads.

Mr. Atkinson, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 547, entitled

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Detroit and to provide for the appointment by the mayor of a police commissioner, a health officer, a commissioner of parks and boulevards, a water commissioner, commis-

sioner of prisons, city counsellor, a fire commissioner, a commissioner of public parks and a lighting commissioner.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Eikhoff, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 548, entitled

A bill to regulate the carrying of passengers by all railway companies, corporations, co-partners or individuals.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Railroads.

Mr. Eikhoff, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 549, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of the public lighting act of the city of Detroit, the same being Chap. 13 of the charter of the said city, as approved March 18, 1893.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Petrowsky, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 550, entitled

A bill to provide for the assessment and taxation of telephone lines and of the property of telephone companies within the State of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Tefft, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 551, entitled

A bill to repeal act No. 284 of the local acts of 1885, being "An act to incorporate the village of Hanover in the county of Jackson."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Village Corporations.

Mr. Wetherbee, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 552, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of an act entitled "An act to provide for the appointment city physicians of the city of Detroit by the board of poor commissioners of said city, and to provide for the regulation of their duties," being act No. 343 of the local acts of the legislature of the State of Michigan for the year 1891.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Wetherbee, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 553, entitled

A bill to provide for the furnishing of abstracts in Wayne county by the register of deeds of said county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Wetherbee,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Wetherbee, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 554, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 26 of an act entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of co-operative and mutual benefit associations, and to define the powers and duties and regulate the transactions of the business within this State," being act 187 of the public acts of 1887, and approved June 17, 1887.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Wetherbee,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Wetherbee, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 555, entitled

A bill to regulate and improve the civil service in the State of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Wetherbee, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 556, entitled

A bill to protect creditors of merchants and manufacturers against pledges of and collusive levies, attachments and garnishments upon the goods, chattels or choses in action of the latter, constituting their stock in trade or arising directly therefrom in the ordinary course of trade; to require such pledges to fulfil the requirements of mortgages in every particular as to making, filing and enforcement; and to declare such pledges, levies, attachments and garnishments to have the same effect as mortgages.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Wetherbee, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 557, entitled

A bill to protect creditors of merchants and manufacturers against sales of their goods, chattels and choses in actions (constituting their stock in trade or arising directly therefrom) other than in the ordinary course of trade; to restrict the sale, other than in the ordinary course of trade, of such goods and chattels of merchants or manufacturers when such goods and chattels have not been paid for; to forbid the making of sales other than in the ordinary course of trade of such goods, chattels or choses in action of insolvent merchants and manufacturers under the penalty of having the same declared general assignments; and to repeal all acts and parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Wetherbee, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 558, entitled

A bill to punish persons who make, utter or publish false or misleading statements concerning the assets or liabilities, pecuniary standing, finan-

cial responsibility, business record, family connections or business relations of themselves or any co-partnership of which they are members, or any corporation of which they are officers, directors or managers, for the purpose of procuring on behalf of themselves or such co-partnership or corporation credit or the extension of the time of credit, or the release of security, or the abstention from or discontinuance of legal proceedings.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Wetherbee, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 559, entitled

A bill to regulate the creation, filing and enforcement of mortgages of goods, chattels or choses in action to avoid the effect of such mortgages in certain cases as against purchasers, creditors and other mortgagees, with certain penalties; to forbid the making of such mortgages with preferences by insolvent merchants and manufacturers under the penalty of having the same declared general assignments; and to repeal Secs. 6193, 6196 and 6197 of Chap. 234 of Vol. 2 of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan, and all acts and parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Stewart, unanimous consent being given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 560, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 16 and 29 of act No. 179 of the public acts of 1891, as amended by act No. 191 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to establish, protect and enforce by lien the rights of mechanics and other persons furnishing labor or materials for building, altering, improving, repairing, erecting or ornamenting of buildings, machinery, wharves, and all other structures," and to repeal all acts contravening for the provisions of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Peters, unanimous consent being given introduced

House bill No. 561, entitled

A bill making appropriation for the current expenses and other necessary improvements for the State Industrial Home for Girls for the years 1897 and 1898.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Peters,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Peters, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 562, entitled

A bill to regulate the granting of poor relief to, and the admission of certain poor persons to asylums and alms houses, and to provide for the expense of the temporary care and transportation of such persons.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Peters, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 563, entitled

A bill to provide for the protection of life and property against insecure steam boilers, and for the establishment of a system of inspection of steam boilers in certain cases, and examining and licensing engineers, or boiler attendants.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Foote, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 564, entitled

A bill to make an appropriation for the publication of the records of Michigan soldiers of the war of the rebellion in the Adjutant General's office, as re-compiled.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Foote,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Adams, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 565, entitled

A bill to authorize township boards to exercise the same powers in suppressing the sale of spirituous and intoxicating liquors as are now exercised by the village councils within this State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Adams, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 566, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 43 and 44 and to repeal Secs. 45 and 47 of Chap. 178 of the compiled laws of 1871, said chapter being Chap. 249 of Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Bryan, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 567, entitled

A bill to provide for the committing of indigent insane persons to the Wayne county insane asylum, and for the transfer of such persons to the State asylum, and from the State asylum to said county asylum, and to provide for the support and maintenance of such insane persons.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Graham, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 568, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 12 of act No. 164 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to amend Sec. 12 of act 232, public acts of 1885, being an act entitled 'An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of all manufacturing companies, except such as are contemplated by act No. 42 of the session laws of 1867, which provides for the incorporation of persons or corporations engaged in the manufacture of salt, or mercantile-

companies, or any union of the two, and to fix the duties and liabilities of such corporations,' approved June 20, 1885, as amended by act 170 of the public acts of 1889, and acts No. 76 and 187 of the public acts of 1893."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Graham, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 569, entitled

A bill to incorporate the National Game, Bird and Fish Association under the laws of the State of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Graham,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Graham, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 570, entitled

A bill to authorize the formation of corporations for the prevention of cruelty to children, animals, birds and fowls.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Graham, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 571, entitled

A bill to revise and amend the laws for the protection of game.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Graham, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 572, entitled

A bill to abolish the superior court of Grand Rapids, and to provide for the transfer of the records of said court to the circuit court for the county of Kent.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Graham, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 573, entitled

A bill to prescribe and define a course of studies to be taught in the common schools of this State, which shall be known as the agricultural course.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Graham,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Anderson, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 574, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. Nos. 5, 10 and 14 of act No. 184, session laws of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the inspection of all manufacturing establishments and workshops in this State, and to provide for the

enforcement, regulation and inspection of such establishments, and the employment of women and children therein," approved May 22, 1895.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Labor.

Mr. Anderson, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 575, entitled

A bill to fix the responsibility for making permanent improvements to manufacturing establishments in Michigan where ordered by factory or deputy factory inspectors.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Labor.

Mr. Hammond, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 576, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 2 of Chap. 240 of the compiled laws of 1871, as amended by act No. 286 of the public acts of 1881, being compiler's Sec. 9053 of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan, entitled "An act relative to the fees of justices of the peace, constables and sheriffs in criminal cases."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Weier, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 577, entitled

A bill providing for the examination of trees, plants, vines and shrubs grown in this State, or imported from other states, provinces or countries, to prevent the spreading or diffusion of San Jose scale or other injurious insects or infectious diseases of trees, plants, vines and shrubs, and for the examination of orchards in this State, and providing a penalty for the violation of the provisions of this bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Horticulture.

Mr. Weier, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 578, entitled

A bill to abolish the shooting or hunting of wild game on Sunday, and providing a penalty therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Weier, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 579, entitled

A bill to provide for the preservation of deer in Monroe county and providing a penalty for their destruction.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Weier, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 580, entitled

A bill to regulate the hunting of wild ducks and other wild water fowl in the public waters of Lake Erie within this State and providing a penalty for violations of the provisions of this bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Green, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 581, entitled

A bill to provide for the sale of State tax lands.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Camburn, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 582, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 11 of act No. 115 of the public acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the government, management and control of the State Public School at Coldwater, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Public School.

Mr. Donovan, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 583, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act for the protection of fish in Saginaw river and its tributaries, and to repeal act No. 31 of the public acts of 1893," the same being act No. 200 of the public acts of 1895 and to repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Clark, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 584, entitled

A bill to add one new section to act No. 303 of the public acts of 1887, to stand and be known as Sec. 4, and to renumber Secs. 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 of said act, to stand and be known as Secs. 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 respectively.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Elections.

Mr. Clark, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 585, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 7 and 9 of act No. 206 of the public acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy (and collection) of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal act No. 200 of the public acts of 1891, and all other acts or parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Goodyear, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 586, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 5056 of Howell's annotated statutes, relative to the qualifications of persons eligible to election or appointment to office in a school district.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. M. G. Moore, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 587, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 179 of the laws of 1891, as amended by act No. 199 of the public acts of 1893, entitled "An act to amend Secs. 1, 6 and 9 of act No. 179 of the public acts of 1891, entitled "An act to establish, protect and enforce by lien the rights of mechanics and other persons furnishing labor or material for building, altering, improving, repairing, erecting and ornamenting of buildings, machinery, wharves and all other structures," and to repeal all acts contravening the provisions of this act, by adding two new sections thereto to stand as Secs. 32 and 33.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. M. G. Moore,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. F. Shepherd, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 588, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 4 of act No. 193 of the public acts of 1889, entitled "An act to provide for the relief outside of Soldier's Home of honorably discharged indigent union soldiers, sailors and marines, and the indigent wives, widows and minor children of such indigent or deceased union soldiers, sailors or marines.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Sawyer, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House joint resolution No. 19, entitled

Joint resolution authorizing the Board of State Auditors to have printed their report of the Board of World's Fair Managers for the State of Michigan.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Sawyer,

The joint resolution was laid on the table.

Mr. Connors, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House joint resolution No. 20, entitled

Joint resolution authorizing the cancelation of primary school land patent covering south fractional half of southeast quarter of Sec. 16, town 43 north, range 4 west (S. frl. one-half of S. E. one-quarter, Sec. 16, T. 43 N., R. 4 W.) for southeast quarter of southwest quarter, Sec. 16, town 43 north, range 4 west (S. E. one-quarter of S. W. one-quarter of Sec. 16, T. 43 N., R. 4 W.)

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Public Lands.

Mr. Widoe, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House joint resolution No. 21, entitled

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to Sec. 6 of Art. 10 of the constitution of the State of Michigan, relative to supervisors.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Atkinson, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House joint resolution No. 22, entitled

Joint resolution to amend Sec. 1 of Art. 14 of the constitution of the State of Michigan, relative to finance and taxation.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 132 (file No. 47), entitled

A bill to change the name of the township of Pine Plains, in the county of Allegan, to Valley township;

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Fleischhauer	Mr. Miller
Alward	Foote	Moore, E. W.
Anderson	Foster	Moore, M. G.
Atkinson	Gibson	O'Dett
Babcock, C. G.	Gillam	Pearson
Babcock, H.	Goodell	Perry
Bates	Goodyear	Petrowsky
Belknap	Graham	Phillips, C. C.
Bemis	Green	Powers
Billings	Gustin	Reed
Bricker	Hammond	Savage
Cahoon	Harris	Scully
Clark	Herrig	Shepard, F. M.
Coad	Hofmeister	Shepherd, F.
Colvin	Jackson	Stewart
Cousins	Kimmis	Stoneman
Crippen	Lee	Tefft
Davis	Lusk	Vought
Dickinson, J. H.	Madill	Weier
Dickinson, L. D.	Marsilje	Wetherbee
Donovan	Mayer	Wing
Dudley	McGill	Speaker <i>pro tem.</i>

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Pearson,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 186 (file No. 49), entitled

A bill to provide for the maintaining of actions by and against unincorporated voluntary associations, clubs and societies.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Donovan	Mr. Miller
Allison	Dudley	McGill
Alward	Fleischhauer	Miller
Anderson	Foster	Moore, E. W.
Atkinson	Gibson	Oberdorffer
Babcock, C. G.	Goodell	O'Dett
Babcock, H.	Goodyear	Pearson
Bates	Graham	Perry
Bemis	Green	Peters
Bricker	Gustin	Phillips, C. C.
Bryan	Hammond	Powers
Cahoon	Harris	Putney
Clark	Herrig	Savage
Clute	Hofmeister	Shepard, F. M.
Coad	Jackson	Shepherd, F.
Colvin	January	Stoneman
Cousins	Kelly	Tefft
Crippen	Kimmis	Vought
Davis	Lee	Wetherbee
Dickinson, J. H.	Madill	Wing
Dickinson, L. D.	Marsilje	Speaker <i>pro tem.</i>

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The question being on agreeing to the title,

Mr. January moved to amend the title so as to read as follows:

A bill to provide for the commencement and maintaining of actions by and against unincorporated voluntary associations, clubs and societies and for the service of process in such cases;

Which motion prevailed.

The title as amended was then agreed to.

House bill No. 171 (file No. 50), entitled

A bill to amend continuous paragraph 7449, being Sec. 34 of Chap. 262 of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Eikhoff	Mr. Molster
Allison	Fleischhauer	Moore, E. W.
Alward	Footo	Moore, M. G.

Mr. Anderson	Mr. Foster	Mr. Oberdorffer
Atkinson	Gibson	O'Dett
Babcock, C. G.	Gillam	Pearson
Babcock, H.	Goodell	Perry
Bates	Graham	Peters
Bemis	Green	Petrowsky
Billings	Gustin	Phillips, C. C.
Bricker	Hammond	Powers
Bryan	Harris	Putney
Cahoon	Herrig	Savage
Clark	Jackson	Scully
Clute	January	Shepard, F. M.
Coad	Kelly	Shepherd, F.
Colvin	Kimmis	Smith
Cousins	Lee	Stoneman
Crippen	Lusk	Tefft
Dickinson, J. H.	Madill	Vought
Dickinson, L. D.	Marsilje	Weier
Donovan	Mayer	Wetherbee
Dudley	McGill	Wing
Edgar	Miller	Speaker <i>pro tem.</i>

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The question being on agreeing to the title,

Mr. Smith moved to amend the title so as to read as follows:

A bill to amend Sec. 34 of Chap. 102 of the revised statutes of 1846, being compiler's Sec. 7449, Howell's annotated statutes, relative to authentication of records and other judicial proceedings in courts of foreign countries;

Which motion prevailed.

The title as amended was then agreed to.

House bill No. 83 (file No. 31), entitled

A bill to provide for the analysis of water in use by the public in certain cases.

Pending the third reading of the bill,

On motion of Mr. Wetherbee,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Marsilje moved to take from the table,

House bill No. 81 (file No. 29), entitled

A bill to amend act No. 161 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to require county treasurers to furnish transcripts and abstracts of records and fixing the fees to be paid therefor."

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Marsilje,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

House bill No. 81 (file No. 29), entitled

A bill to amend act No. 161 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to require county treasurers to furnish transcripts and abstracts of records and fixing the fees to be paid therefor."

Was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Edgar	Mr. Mayer
Allison	Eikhoff	McGill
Alward	Fleischhauer	Miller
Anderson	Foote	Moore, E. W.
Atkinson	Foster	Moore, M. G.
Babcock, C. G.	Gibson	Oberdorffer
Babcock, H.	Gillam	O'Dett
Bates	Goodell	Perry
Bemis	Goodyear	Peters
Billings	Graham	Petrowsky
Bricker	Green	Phillips, C. C.
Bryan	Gustin	Powers
Cahoon	Hammond	Putney
Clark	Harris	Savage
Clute	Herrig	Scully
Coad	Hofmeister	Shepard, F. M.
Colvin	Jackson	Shepherd, F.
Cousins	January	Smith
Crippen	Kelly	Tefft
Davis	Kimmis	Vought
Dickinson, J. H.	Lee	Weier
Dickinson, L. D.	Lusk	Wetherbee
Donovan	Madill	Wing
Dudley	Marsilje	Speaker <i>pro tem.</i>

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Title agreed to.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Bates moved to take from the table,

House bill No. 264, entitled

A bill to promote morality;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Bates,

The bill was referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Gillam offered the following:

Resolved, That when this House adjourn today it stand adjourned until 10 o'clock a. m. tomorrow;

Which was adopted.

Mr. O'Dett moved to take from the table

House bill No. 138 (file No. 23), entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of Methodist Protestant churches;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Madill offered the following:

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That a committee of five (two members of the Senate and three members of the House) be appointed to

investigate the merits of the different voting machines, and report to the legislature the advisability or inadvisability of adopting some particular voting machine to be used at elections to be held in this State.

Laid over one day under the rules.

Mr. Fleischhauer offered the following:

Resolved, That the committee be appointed by the Speaker to investigate violations of the law relative to freight charges be limited to \$500 in their expenditure during said investigations;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Green offered the following:

WHEREAS, The House at its session of February 17, adopted a resolution authorizing the Speaker to appoint a committee of three, whose duty it shall be to investigate and report to the House any violations of the laws relative to freight charges or tariff for the transportation of property on the part of railroad companies operating and doing business under the general law or special charters, be it

Resolved, That said committee be increased to a committee of five members;

Which was adopted.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS,

Being the consideration of the following:

Concurrent resolution recommending the appointment of Col. William R. Shafter as brigadier general.

WHEREAS, The services of William R. Shafter during the war of the rebellion as lieutenant of the Seventh Michigan Infantry, major of the Nineteenth Michigan Infantry, and as colonel of a colored regiment distinguished him as, and proved him to be, one of Michigan's most valiant, loyal, capable and able sons; and

WHEREAS, A vacancy is liable to occur in the position of brigadier general in the United States army, which it will be necessary for the President to fill by appointment; and

WHEREAS, William R. Shafter now occupies the position of ranking colonel of the United States army,—being in charge of the Presidio, of San Francisco, California, which is the largest and most important post in the United State; and

WHEREAS, In the ordinary course of military appointments, Colonel Shafter, as ranking colonel, is entitled to appointment to fill the first vacancy in the position of brigadier general of the United States army; therefore be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That it is the desire of the legislature of the State of Michigan, and each and every member thereof, that President-elect McKinley appointed Colonel Shafter to the first vacancy in the position of brigadier general in the United States army, and that Gen. Russell A. Alger, Secretary of War, appointed, use his influence to secure such appointment.

Resolved, That, after adoption, these resolutions be forwarded to President-elect McKinley, after being signed by the Speaker of the House and President of the Senate, and that a copy thereof be sent to Gen. Russell A. Alger.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,
The resolution was adopted.

Also, the following:

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That the Secretary of State be and hereby is instructed to present one copy of the Legislative Manual to each resident pastor or clergyman who has heretofore, during this session, conducted religious services at any session of the Senate or House of Representatives, or who shall hereafter during this session conduct such services before the Senate or House;

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

Mr. Fleischhauer moved to amend by striking out the word "resident;"

Which motion prevailed.

The resolution as amended was then adopted.

Also the following:

WHEREAS, Large sums of money are annually appropriated and used by the various institutions of this State to carry on their running expenses and a large portion of the money being used in the purchasing of supplies, it is apparent that no satisfactory system exists whereby the people and taxpayers of this State are informed as to how purchases are made. It is also charged that in the matter of purchases Michigan people are discriminated against and that higher prices are paid for supplies than would be if a proper system were inaugurated; therefore be it

Resolved by the House (the Senate concurring), That a joint committee be appointed to consist of five members from the House and three members from the Senate to be appointed by the Speaker of the House and President of the Senate for the purpose of investigating the matter of purchases by the various institutions of this State for the past four years; and

Resolved, That the officers and purchasing agents of the various State institutions be and are hereby required to give full information on any matter pertaining to purchase by them that may be required by the committee; and

Resolved, That the committee be authorized to send for persons and papers.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

Mr. Scully moved that the further consideration of the resolution be indefinitely postponed.

On which motion,

Mr. Kelly demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded, and the motion to indefinitely postpone did not prevail, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams

Allison

Alward

Anderson

Babcock, H.

Clark

Mr. Fleischbauer

Foote

Gillam

Graham

Hammond

Harris

Mr. Marsilje

McGill

Moore, M. G.

O'Dett

Pearson

Powers

Mr. Clute	Mr. Hofmeister	Mr. Putney
Colvin	Jackson	Savage
Davis	Kimmis	Scully
Dickinson, L. D.	Lee	Speaker <i>pro tem.</i>
Edgar	Madill	

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Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Foster	Mr. Peters
Bates	Gibson	Petrowsky
Bemis	Goodell	Phillips, C. C.
Billings	Goodyear	Reed
Bricker	Green	Shepard, F. M.
Bryan	Herrig	Shepherd, T.
Cahoon	January	Smith
Coad	Kelly	Stewart
Cousins	Lusk	Stoneman
Crippen	Mayer	Tefft
Dickinson, J. H.	Miller	Vought
Donovan	Molster	Weier
Dudley	Moore, E. W.	Wetherbee
Elkhoff	Oberdorffer	

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The question being on the adoption of the resolution,
 Mr. Adams moved that the House adjourn;
 Which motion prevailed, and
 The Speaker *pro tem.* declared the House adjourned until 10 o'clock a.
 m., tomorrow.

Lansing, Friday, February 19, 1897.

The House met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Warren.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. Belknap, Gustin, Kerr and Peek.

On motion of Mr. Weier,

Leave of absence was granted to all absentees for the day.

The Speaker announced the following:

Committee to investigate violations of the law relative to freight charges, etc.,—under resolutions adopted February 17th and 18th, Messrs. Widoe, Billings, Green, Gustin, and Coad.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 201. By Mr. L. D. Dickinson: Petition of 111 citizens of Eaton county relative to the bills against quackery.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 202. By Mr. Molster: Petition of 300 machinists of Detroit relative to prison labor.

Referred to the committee on Labor.

No. 203. By Mr. Hammond: Petition of R. C. Rex and 43 other citizens of Elk Rapids relative to the bill against quackery.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 204. By Mr. Hammond: Petition of E. F. Holcomb and 31 other citizens of Farmington, Oakland county, relative to the bills against quackery.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 205. By Mr. ———: Petition of Mr. James Conklin and 29 other citizens of Keeler, Van Buren county, relative to the bills against quackery.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 206. By Mr. Foote: Petition of Dr. W. B. Smith of Ann Arbor relative to House bill No. 477, providing for protection of good name of certain persons.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 207. By Mr. Edgar: Petition of G. W. Gust and 20 other citizens of Morenci, Lenawee county, relative to bills against quackery.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 208. By Mr. Kimmis: Petition of L. E. Thornhill and five other citizens of Milford, Oakland county, relative to bills against quackery.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 209. By Mr. Petrowsky: Petition of H. T. Riopelle and 15 other citizens of Ecorse, Wayne county, relatives to bills against quackery.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 210. By Mr. Petrowsky: Petition of W. G. Henry and 31 other citizens of Detroit relative to the bills against quackery.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 211. By Mr. Foster: Petition of E. J. Parker and 32 other citizens of Frankfort, Benzie county, relative to bills against quackery.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 212. By Mr. Foster: Petition of J. Powers, M. D., and 60 other citizens of Benzonia, Benzie county, relative to bills against quackery.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 213. By Mr. Smith: Petition of J. W. Wyckoff and 16 other citizens of Jacobsville, Houghton county, relative to bills against quackery.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 214. By Mr. Wetherbee: Petition of Manufacturers' Club of Detroit against the emery wheel blower bill.

Referred to the committee on Labor.

No. 215. By Mr. Bates: Petition of R. H. Wood and 9 other citizens of Montrose, Genesee county, relative to bills against quackery.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on City Corporations:

The committee on City Corporations, to whom was referred House bill No. 290, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 12 of act No. 306 of the local acts of 1893, entitled "An act relative to justices' courts in the

city of Grand Rapids, to reduce the number thereof, and to fix the compensation of such justices, and provide a clerk and offices therefor," approved March 22, 1893, as amended, and to add ten new sections thereto to stand as Secs. 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22 and 23;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House with amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

P. Herrig,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Anderson,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

On motion of Mr. Anderson,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Foote	Mr. O'Dett
Allison	Foster	Pearson
Alward	Fuller	Perry
Anderson	Gibson	Peters
Atkinson	Goodell	Phillips, C. C.
Babcock, H.	Goodyear	Powers
Bemis	Graham	Putney
Billings	Green	Reed
Bricker	Hammond	Savage
Bryan	Harris	Scully
Buskirk	Herrig	Shepard, F. M.
Cahoon	Jackson	Shepherd, F.
Camburn	January	Smith
Clark	Kelly	Stoneman
Clute	Kimmis	Tefft
Colvin	Lee	Vought
Cousins	Madill	Washer
Crippen	Marsilje	Weier
Davis	McGill	Wetherbee
Dickinson, J. H.	Miller	Widoe
Dickinson, L. D.	Molster	Williams
Donovan	Moore, E. W.	Wing
Edgar	Moore, M. G.	Zimmerman
Eikhoff	Niedermeyer	Speaker
Fleischhauer	Oberdorffer	

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Anderson,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

By the committee on Military Affairs:

The committee on Military Affairs to whom was referred

House bill No. 128, entitled

A bill for the relief of Ira E. Lent and Frank Kelley, members of Company E, First Infantry, Michigan National Guard, and making an appropriation therefor,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying substitute therefor, entitled

A joint resolution for the relief of Ira E. Lent and Frank Kelley, members of Company E, First Infantry, Michigan National Guards;

Recommending that the substitute be concurred in, and that the substitute do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. S. Williams,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Mayer,

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by committee.

The joint resolution was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Printing:

The committee on Printing to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 3 (file No. 14), entitled

A bill to provide for the completion, printing, binding, distribution and sale of the compiled laws of 1897;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report same back to the House, without amendment and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Robt. Alward,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Speaker announced the following:

STATE OF MICHIGAN,
EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Lansing, February 19, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved, signed and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State,

House bill No. 340, being

An act to provide for the incorporation of labor associations.

Respectfully,

H. S. Pingree,

Governor.

The message was ordered spread on the Journal.

The Speaker also announced the following:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,

Lansing, February 19, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved, signed and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State,

House bill No. 292, being

An act to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 242 of the local acts of 1885, entitled "An act to reincorporate the village of Quincy in Branch county," approved February 16, 1885.

Respectfully,

H. S. Pingree,

Governor.

The message was ordered spread on the Journal.

The Speaker also announced the following:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,

Lansing, February 19, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved, signed and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State,

Joint resolution No. 16, being

An act to allow members of the board of supervisors of Newaygo county compensation for time spent in extra session in investigating the books and general financial condition of said county and disappearance from the clerk's office of certain records and files.

Respectfully,

H. S. Pingree,

Governor.

The message was ordered spread on the Journal.

The Speaker also announced the following:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,

Lansing, February 18, 1897.

To the Honorable, the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Dear Sir—I have the honor to transmit to you herewith a copy of my letter to Prof. E. F. Johnson, of the Law Department of the University of Michigan, and a report of the gentlemen whom I appointed as judges in the matter of awarding a prize of \$25 to the law student of the University of Michigan who would, after careful research, prepare the largest list of obsolete laws on the statute books of the State of Michigan.

The letter and the report of the judges, Hon. James H. Pound and Judge Frazer, both of Detroit, explain themselves, and I submit the report to you for such action as you deem advisable to take.

(Copy.)

Respectfully,

H. S. Pingree,
Governor.

December 19, 1896.

Prof. E. F. Johnson, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Mich.:

My Dear Sir—I have notified President Angell that I would write you offering a prize of \$25 to be paid to the student of the law department who would point out the greatest number of inoperative or dead-letter laws on the statute books of the State of Michigan. These reports to be made in writing and should be as brief as possible. My object is to have attention called to the laws that have never been enforced, or laws without any penalty clause which cannot be enforced. I have requested Hon. Robert E. Frazer, Wayne county circuit judge, and James Pound, Esq., of the Detroit bar, to act as judges.

If you will kindly present this matter to the students of the university, I will be very much obliged. This offer will be open until the 28th day of December, 1896.

Yours very respectfully,

To the Hon. H. S. Pingree:

The undersigned, your appointees to pass in judgment upon the work of the law students submitted to us, beg leave to report that we have examined the work of the young gentlemen and desire to compliment them for their diligence.

We have taken no note of repealed and superseded laws to be found upon our statute books, being assured a new compilation is only necessary to clear away the debris.

Neither have we entered into questions of the past failure to enforce the laws, which is due to the failure of the officers or courts to do their duty.

Again, where the law is good in its moral effect, although not rigidly enforced, we have sustained the law. As for example the law in reference to children being allowed under 17 to purchase cigarettes. We believe it to be a wholesome one. This is also true as to their employment. While not strictly enforced it is, we believe, salutary, and should stand. Laws condemning the sale of drugs to cause miscarriage and abortions are of this class. In short we have sustained the efficacy of the law wherever we could.

Again, one young gentleman cited to us a number of acts for the authorization of numerous fraternal societies, which we agree could all be covered in one short general act. But we deem that outside the scope of our duty—the laws as now upon the statute books effectuate the purpose for which they were passed, and that is sufficient to uphold them in our judgment.

We have numbered the work of each student alphabetically and after giving each a thorough examination. The work on each section being

noted on the margin with the letter S which means should not be disturbed and should stand C for credit. The laws so designated being within the object of the Governor and repeal being of no consequence as we view them.

The work of the student marked A shows us 427 sections we think should stand, 34 which should be repealed.

The work of the student marked B shows us 207 sections which should stand, 33 which should be repealed.

The work of the student marked C shows us 90 that should stand, 40 that should be repealed.

The work of the student marked D shows us 132 which should stand, 32 that should be repealed.

The work of the student marked E shows us 57 which in our judgment should stand, 24 which in our judgment should be repealed.

The work of the student marked F shows us 22 which in our judgment should stand, 39 which in our judgment should be repealed.

The work of the law student marked G shows us 64 laws which should stand, 32 which should be repealed, 851 which are already repealed.

The work of the law student marked H shows us 79 laws which should stand, 39 which should be repealed.

From the foregoing it would appear that the student whose work is marked C wins the prize, Mr. Theo. T. Jacobs, although the work of Mr. Carl V. Wisner is so compact and Mr. Dancer but one behind, that if the judges had any discretion they would feel like dividing.

Still, under the conditions mentioned in the Governor's letter which we attach, we think the prize goes to Mr. Jacobs. We making honorable mention of Mr. Carl V. Wisner and Mr. Herbert A. Dancer, whose work is almost as good and whose percentage of law quoted probably greater than the winner.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

James H. Pound,
R. E. Frazer.

Chapter	ss 12	paragraph	354, no penalty attached.
	ss 19	"	735, no penalty attached.
	ss 21	"	801, law not enforced.
	ss 29	"	1423, no penalty attached, but paragraph should be added.
	30	"	1458 to 1461, law not enforced. That is so credited.
	32	"	1479, no penalty attached. That is so credited.
	ss 37	"	1607, 1609, 1618, no penalty attached.
	ss 37	"	1621, law not enforced.
	ss 39	"	1682, law not enforced.
	s 52	"	1998, 2001, no penalty attached.
	s 52	"	2002, 2003, law not enforced.
	54	"	2015, 2018, 2031, law not enforced. No penalty.
	ss 57	"	2072, law not enforced.
	52	"	ss 1999, law not enforced.
	54	"	s 2029, law not enforced.
	59	"	2089, law not enforced. Should be enforced and a larger penalty.
	60	"	2106, law not enforced. Enforced.
c	61	"	2125, 2130, law not enforced. He is right here.
r	63	"	2159, 2163, law not enforced.
	64	"	r 2204, r 2212, r 2216, s 2221, law not enforced.
s	65	"	2223, law not enforced.
	66	"	2225, 2227, 2228, 2229, no penalty attached. Not so s.

Chapter	c 67	paragraphs	2233, 2237, 2239, law not enforced. Can't collect, fine and imprisonment.
	66	"	2230, law not enforced.
	67	"	2234, 2235, no penalty attached. This is so.
as	68	"	2240, 2242, law not enforced.
c	71	"	s 2267, s 2268, s 2271, s 2272, s 2282, law not enforced.
so	72	"	2284, no penalty attached.
c	80	"	2728, law not enforced.
	115	"	r 3960, as 3965, no penalty attached.
	192	"	as 4906, c 4945, no penalty attached.
	193	"	c 4946, c 4976, no penalty attached.
	195	"	s 5016, s 5025, no penalty attached.
	196	"	s 5026, s 5032, no penalty attached.
	197	"	s 5176, s 5178, s 5179, no penalty attached.

I desire to call your attention to a few statutes which impose ministerial duties upon officers. The list is by no means complete, but I only design it to be illustrative of a general proposition. The sufficiency of the execution of the laws is dependent upon the efficiency of the officers.

The laws should be adopted to the improvement of the temperment and should reflect these habits and customs.

As soon as they cease to be observed or executed there is evidence of a departure of the rule.

But, however well the laws may be suited to the endemic traits of the people they are all worthless if the officers charged with their enforcement, neglect or refuse to act.

The coordinate departments are very properly supreme in their own spheres; but there are many duties of a strictly ministerial character imposed upon them which can only be reached through the agency of mandamus.

In some instances, as in the case of the Governor in this State, mandamus will not lie in the great majority of cases. Mandamus is the only adequate remedy to remove a delinquent officer to action. In some cases in the statutes penalties are attached where there is non-feasance in other cases. Penal bonds are required which shall be forfeited if there is a failure to perform prescribed duties; but this latter is not a feasible instrument from the fact that it is too harsh and will for that reason not accomplish the desired purpose.

In our statutes there is nothing to compel a person elected to an office to qualify as in common law, except in a few instances. Difficulty has never arisen in this State over these matters, the fact that it may arise and has arisen in other States is sufficient to point out the weakness.

It is frequently too difficult to distinguish mandatory productory provisions, and judicial and executive duties from those which are ministerial and the chief defect in the statutes upon the executive of the expressed will of the people is the duties and penalties all not correlative.

Vide—High and Legal Remedies.
Cooley, Torts
Mecham, Public Officers.

OPERATIVE AND NO PENALTY NEEDED.

Chapter	s 198	paragraphs	5187, 88, 89, 91, 91a, 92, 93, no penalty attached.
as	199	"	5195, no penalty attached.
as	200	"	5197, 98, 99, no penalty attached.

Chapter	ss 201	paragraphs 5211, 17, 18, no penalty attached.
	cs 202	" c 5222, 24, 25, 26, 28, no penalty attached.
	s 202	" 5232, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, no penalty attached.
	ss 202	" 5243, 45, no penalty attached.
	ss 203	" 5263, 64, 68, 69, 73, 74, 78, 80, 81, 82, 83.
	cs 203	" 5281, 94, 65, public lands.
	ss 203	" 5286, 5300, 5301, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, public lands.
	ss 203	" 5310, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 5320, 25, 26, 1530, 31, 33, 34, 35, 36, 39, 42, 43, 45, 50, 53, 54, 57, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65.
	ss 204	" 5368, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, Agricultural College lands.
	s 206	" 5391, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 5411, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 22, 24, 26, 27, 28, 29, 5433, 36, 37, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, State swamp land.
	ss 206	" 5450, 51, 53, 54, 55, 58, 59, 61, 63, 64.
	ss 209	" 5477, 78, 82, 83, Mines and minerals.
	ss 210	" 5488a, 89a, 90a, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 99, 5503, St. Mary's Falls ship canal.
	ss 212	" 5506, 7, 8, 9, 10, 14, 16, Portage Lake ship canal.
	ss 216	" s 5674, s 75, s 76, s 77, s 78, s 79, s 81, s 82, s 5694, 96, 98, s 1502, s 3, s 7, s 5719, s 21, s 22.
	ss 217	" 5741, 42, 44, estates in "f".
	221	" s 5834, s 35, s 58, s 52, s 5850, estates of deceased persons.
	ss 223	" s 5869, s 70, s 71, s 72, s 73, estates of deceased persons.
	ss 224	" s 5889, s 90, s 97, s 98, estates of deceased persons.
	226	" 5976, 80, 85, 86, 87, estate of deceased persons. All in force
	230	" 6092, 93, "f" land of guardians. In force.
	232	" 6173, suits of land of execution. In force.
	243	" 646, 87, 88, 89, 93, 99, 6407, supreme court. In force.
	244	" c 6436, c 40, c 41, c 42, s 43, s 51, c 56, c 57, s 58, s 58-c, 58-d, 60, 62, 75, 77, 90, 6501, 6503, 6, 9, 12, 15, 20, 23, 26, 28, 32, cir- cuit courts. Should be one general act but as it now stands they are now all enforced.
	245	" r 6536, 41, 43, superior court of Detroit.
	246	" c 6565, s 70, s 86, s 87, s 88, c 90, s 91, superior court of Grand Rapids.
	247	" s 6594, s 99, s 6620, s 30, s 32, s 49, s 67, s 40.
	s 322	" 9302, no penalty for breach of duty.
	s 325	" 9372, same objection.
	s 327	" 9373, same objection.
	s 333	" 9491, 92, 94, 96, 9501, same objection.
	333	" s 9503, 1415, same objection.
	248	" s 6755, s 6809, s 6812, probate court.
	251	" s 7136, s 37, s 39, s 40, s 44, s 52, s 53, circuit court commissioner.
	252	" s 7175, s 67, s 68, s 69, s 72, s 72-a, clerks of courts.
	s 253	" 7175, attorneys.
	254	" s 7197, s 98, c 99, 7200, s 4, s 5, s 14, s 17, s 18, s 23, s 25, s 26, State reports.
	s 255	" 7245, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50.
	263	" s 7554, s 55, s 56, s 67, s 58, s 59, c 60, s 61, s 63, s 64, c 67, c 68, c 69, s 74, s 75, s 77, s 79, s 87, s 88, s 96, s 97, s 98, s 99, s 7600, s 1, s 4, s 7623, s 24, s 26, s 30-a, s 7630-e, trial, etc.
	270	" s 7875, s 7677, partition of lands.
	275	" s 7996, s 8012, attachment.
	317	" s 9107, not enforced.
	317	" s 9110, not enforced but can be improved.
	317	" s 9111, not enforced.
	317	" s 9112, not enforced.
	317	" s 9122-b, no penalty.
	317	" s 9222, nothing to compel it.
	319	" s 9224, no penalty.
	319	" s 9225, no penalty.
	319	" s 9259, not enforced.
	320	" s 9280, I do not think that this is enforced.
	320	" s 9282, difficult to enforce.
	322	" s 9283, not usually enforced.
	322	" s 9286, not enforced.
	322	" s 9288, easily evaded.

Chapter	322 paragraphs	s 9293, s 9294, not enforced.
	322 "	c 2295, dead letter.
	322 "	s 9307, s 9309, easily evaded.
	322 "	s 9310, not strictly enforced.
	322 "	s 9411, s 12, not strictly enforced.
	322 "	s 9313, such drugs are entered to the State through express.
	323 "	s 9317, are sent to this State.
	323 "	s 9324, s 9327, are shipped into the State.
	c 325 "	9673, not usually enforced.
	c 325 "	9376, not enforced.
	325 "	s 9380, easily evaded.
	325 "	s 9385, cannot be enforced.
	339 "	s 9634, c 35, c 36, c 39, s 40, s 42, s 43, c 44, c 51, s 52, c 55, c 53, s 67, same objection.
	340 "	s 9669, s 70, s 71, s 72, s 73, s 75, s 76, s 78, s 79, s 80, s 82, s 84, s 85, s 86, s 88, s 89, s 90, s 91, s 92, s 93, s 94, s 97, s 98, s 99, s 9700, s 1, s 2, s 3, s 4, s 12, s 16, s 17, s 24, s 25, s 28, s 34, s 34, s 46, s 47, s 48, s 49, s 50, s 51, s 54, s 56, s 57, s 58, s 59, s 60, s 61, s 62, s 63, s 64, s 65, s 66, s 67, s 68, s 69, s 70, s 72, s 73, s 74, s 75, s 76, s 80, s 81, s 82, s 83, s 84, s 85, s 86, s 87, s 95, s 94, s 96, s 99; s 9601, s 3, s 4, s 5, s 6, State Prison and House of Correction.
	243 "	s 9689, s 11, s 12, s 13, s 14, s 15, s 19, s 21, Reform School.
	343 "	s 9630, s 31, s 32, s 33, s 34, s 41, Industrial Home for Girls.
	344 "	s 9844, s 46, s 47, s 49, s 52, s 54, s 57, s 62, s 64, s 67, s 80, Detroit House of Correction.
	345 "	s 9882, s 83, s 84, s 86, s 87, s 88, Board of Charities.

HOWELL SUPPLEMENT.

Chapter	316 paragraph	s 9113a, not enforced.
	316 "	s 9118a, not strictly enforced.
	317 "	s 9122c, rarely enforced.
	317 "	s 9122d, " "
	317 "	s 9290a, not enforced.
	322 "	s 9314d, s 9314-e, not strictly enforced.
	322 "	s 9314i, s 9515-c, " " "
	323 "	s 9330c, easily evaded.
	324 "	s 9354i, not enforced.

S—32-140-129-126—427.

C—9-8-10-7—34.

R—5.

The following are statutes creating private corporations with provisions for their control, which are useless and might be included in one general corporation act. They cover three pages of Howell's annotated statutes.

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s What children may not be employed.....	1997 c2
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s Commissioner to visit station in each county and railroad and prosecute for violation of railroad laws.....	3303
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s Ticket office to be kept open 30 minutes before train.....	} 3326
s Stations announced twice in cars, and.....	
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Credits, 2-10-5-13-3=33.

Stands, 44-51-37-23-27-25=207.

Repealed, 2=2.

PAUL Y. ALBRIGHT,

17 Lawrence street, Ann Arbor, Mich.

Ann Arbor, Mich., 53 Ann street, Jan. 18, 1897.

Hon. Hazen S. Pingree, Governor:

Sir—I beg leave to submit to your judges the following inoperative laws found upon the statute books of Michigan:

Sec. c 1257 H. S.,	provides in regard to hawkers, etc., having a license, not enforced.
c 1262 "	penalty not enforced and no imprisonment clause.
s 1281 "	in regard to paying retail license for selling liquors not strictly enforced.
s 1334 "	in paying poll tax, no good way enforcing this.
s 1404 "	injuries to mile stones, guide boards, etc., not enforced.
s 1406 "	in regard to injuring trees by hitching, etc., dead.
c 1418 "	overseers are required to provide guide post. They do not do it in certain parts of the State.
c 1458 "	employing drivers addicted to drunkenness, not enforced.
s 1460 "	drivers running horses guilty of misdemeanor, not enforced unless it is in charter.
c 1461 "	leaving horses unfastened.
c 1558 "	putting up notices by clerks in regard to testing of scales.
c 1560 "	requires the clerk to visit stores, etc., and test their scales, dead.
c 1572 }	in regard to measuring fruit, etc., not enforced.
c 1573 }	
c 1574 }	
c 1575 }	
c 1669 "	has a penalty clause but no imprisonment clause. It relates to inoculation.
c 1675 "	same objections. Contagious diseases.
1682 "	not enforced in some parts of the State. Slaughter houses 20 rods from the road.
s 1689 "	animals of certain kinds not to be brought into the State during certain seasons of the year, dead.
c 1690 "	not enforced. No penalty clause for either,
s 1775 "	no penalty clause in regard to Supt. of poor houses educating children.

Sec. s 9330c H. S., adulteration of candies, not enforced.

- s 9113 " unlawful to carry concealed weapons.
- s 9386 " Vol. 3, not enforced.
- s 9290 " obscene literature, publishing, distributing same prohibited. This is not enforced. Newsboys in the trains circulate toys.
- s 9354 " not enforced.
- s 9282 " "?" "?" cohabitations, etc.
- s 9286 " keeping houses of ill-fame.
- s 9289 " obscene books or prints.
- s 9292 " crime against nature.
- s 9294 " cursing, swearing.
- s 9300 " keeping of places to sell liquor near religious meetings. This is almost always the case at so-called camp meetings.
- s 9317 " adulteration of food or liquor.
- s 9323 " not enforced.
- s 9374 " penalty for betting on election, dead.
- s 9375 " keeping pools on elections.
- c 9376 " becoming custodian or depository of money, etc., bet.
- s 9391 " cruelty to animals. Not enforced to any great extent.
- s 9392 " keeping animals or fowls for fighting purposes.
- s 9393 " cruelty to animals.
- s 9394 " limit of time animals may be confined on railway cars violated, not enforced.

Public Acts of 1891.

- s 1 of 36, unconstitutional.
- s 2 of 36, unconstitutional.
- s 3 of 36, unconstitutional.
- s 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8, No. 93 in regard to milkweed.
- Act No. 98. It provides that it shall be unlawful to practice dentistry without a license or diploma, no penalty clause. Should be c.
- 109. The part that pertains to the county of Keweenaw and Isle Royal, etc., is unconstitutional. Don't know.
- 116. s Sec. 2, in regard to newsboys and boot blacks attending school.
- 158. s In regard to the yellows, disease among peaches, is not enforced in all parts of the State.
- 175. Unconstitutional. That is so.

Public Acts of 1895.

- No. 56 s The flag law is not enforced, no penalty clause.
- No. 109 s Contagious diseases among trees not enforced. We have another act to the same effect almost, not enforced.
- No. 184 c Secs. 2 and 3 not enforced.
- No. 257 c In regard to moving homeopathic college to Detroit, is unconstitutional.
- Sec. c 3069, is dead-letter law, latter part.
- s 621b, justice of the peace or minister who shall unlawfully join any person in marriage, no imprisonment clause, but there is a fine, could not be enforced in all cases.
- s 9119, the law requires danger signals in places where they are cutting ice, not enforced.
- c 9122b, in regard to selling cartridges, pistols, etc., to children, (?) not enforced.
- s 9122c, in regards to catching on trains is not enforced in small places or outside of the cities.
- s 9174, wilful trespass by entering gardens, (?) not enforced.
- s 9195, for entering vineyards.
- s 9210, punishment for injury to books in libraries, etc.
- s 1. There is also a law that provides druggists shall not sell to minors or students except upon written order from parents, guardian, or physician, liquor.
- s 2. Another law requires him to keep a record of persons who apply for liquor, the date of sale, the amount and kind of liquor, etc., this is not done.
- s 3. All railroads are prohibiting from employing in the operating department any man who uses intoxicating liquors as a beverage.
- s 4. All curtains, screens, partitions, and other things that obstruct the view from the street, are required to be removed when the time arrives that the law requires saloons to be closed. Not done.

§ 5. To sell liquor to any person who is intoxicated or in the habit of getting in that condition, or any person when forbidden wishing to do so by the husband, wife, parent, child, etc.

§ 6. It is also contrary to law to sell liquor on Sunday, election day and legal holidays.

§ 7. I also believe there is a law which prohibits the marking, culling or defacing of school property, cut on the seats. This is not enforced.

Sec. c 2 of act of 1893, No. 128—Provision relative to employment of persons under sixteen in factory.

Sec. c 8 of act of 1893, No. 126—Printed notices to be printed stating the number of hours each one works.

Both the above not enforced in most parts of the State.

Act § 170 regard to selling adulterated maple syrup without labeling the same.

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Sec. § 9210, relates to public libraries, injury to books, not enforced.

c 9387, in regard to racing animals not enforced. This frequently happens in our streets.

c 9389, forfeiture for making "7" not enforced.

c 9394, railroad carrying animals must take good care of them.

c 9393, cruelty to animals in driving them to market not enforced.

c 2029, for keeping gambling table like billiards, for gambling purposes.

c 2030, penalty for playing billiards.

§ 2032, not enforced.

§ 4776, use of fire arms and entering cemeteries by means of climbing over the fence, etc.

§ 1387, Sec. 9. Fast driving over bridges not enforced in some parts of the State.

§ 9321, druggist must keep a record of poisons sold, the person sold to, and the amount of same, etc.

§ 9332, unlawful to sell lottery tickets.

§ liquor must not be sold to inmates of soldier's homes. The law also provides that liquor must not be sold at parades and encampments of State militia. A saloon keeper shall not entertain any person on Sunday in his saloon or in the building, yards, etc.; they do, and right in Detroit to a great extent.

The above I submit to your judges as my report on the dead-letter laws of Michigan. I have not always given all the sections and mentioned the different acts in the same subject which are only a little different, like factory legislation. Thus in regard to diseased fruit trees, etc. Accept my sincere thanks for giving us the privilege of working for the premiums, for I shall feel amply rewarded whether I am successful or not.

Yours truly,

Theo. T. Jacobs,

'98 Law U. of M.

Should stand 96. Credit 40.

Inventory of Bad Statutes.

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Howell's Statutes,
Sections, —, Vol. I.

§ 1387, punishment for fast driving over bridges, practically unenforced.

§ 1419, reference to noxious weeds in highways unenforced.

§ 1457, Penalty for Sec. 1456 unenforced.

§ 1458, relative to coachmen, dead letter. } In A, marked no penalty attached.

§ 1459, " " " " " } There marked. That is so.

§ 1999, seldom enforced.

c 2016, greater part of, a dead letter.

Howell's Statutes,
Sections, —, Vol. I.

- c 2017, unenforced.
- s 2023, pertaining to gaming, unenforced.
- s 2024, " " " "
- s 2025, " " " "
- s 2026, " " " "
- r s 2216, for protection of muskrats, unenforced.
- s 2217, " " " "
- s 2218, " " " "
- s 2233, protection against Canada thistles, practically unenforced.
- s 2234, the same as 2233 as to effect. That is so.
- s 2235, " " " " " "
- s 2236, " " " " " "
- s 2237, " " " " " "
- s 2238, " " " " " "
- s 2239, " " " " " "
- s 3298, dead letter.
- s 3307, practically dead letter.
- s 3326, that part relating to announcements of conductor of trains at junctions, etc., as to which way his train goes, unenforced.
- s 3359, unenforced.
- s 3367, relative to employes drinking, unenforced.
- s 3368, dead letter.
- s 3369, part of railroad rules are impractical and employers do not expect all of them to be followed by employes, unenforced.
- s 3372, provision as to language, unenforced.
- s 3393, unenforced.
- s 3409, dead letter.
- s 3687, as to sending messages in order received, unenforced, impractical to do so.
- s 3707, same reason as that appearing after Section 3687.
- c 3848, unconstitutional — 34 Mich. 204.
- c 4029, repealed by effect of statute — 4119.
- c 4030, ditto of 4029.
- c 4031, " "
- c 4032, " "
- c 4033, " "
- c 4034, " "
- s 4213, dead letter.
- s 4214, " "

Volume II.

- s 5073, par. 5 never called into effect.
- s 5164, unenforced.
- c 5165, "
- s 5170, no penalty for board not doing their duty.
- c 6264, rendered inoperative by married womans' acts of later date.
- c 6265, ditto.
- c 6266, "
- c 6267, "
- c 6268, "
- c 6269, "
- c 6270, "
- c 6271, "
- c 6272, "
- c 6273, "
- c 6274, "
- c 6275, "
- c 6276, "
- c 6283, "
- c 6284, "
- c 6285, "
- s 6286, "
- s 6287, "
- c 6288, "
- c 6289, "

Howell's Statutes,
Sections, —, Vol. II.

- § 6317, not enforced.
- § 6344, " "
- § 8912, party on ball not confined to limits of county.
- § 9212, not enforced.
- § 9277, seldom enforced.
- § 9283, dead letter.
- § 9284, " "
- § 9312, not enforced.
- § 9374, " "
- § 9376, unenforced.
- § 9391, part unenforced.
- § 9392, part referring to shooting of pigeons is a dead letter.
- § 9393, dead letter.

Volume III.

- § 1236a, dead letter.
- § 1399, " "
- § 1405, " "
- § 1406, " "
- § 1690a, practically unenforced.
- § 1690b, ditto.
- § 1690j, practically unenforced.
- § 1690k, " "
- § 1690l, " "
- § 1690m, " "
- § 1690n, " "
- § 1690t, inspector not appointed.
- § 1690u, part only enforced.
- § 1690w, unenforced.
- § 1690x, " "
- § 1690z, " "
- § 1690z1, " "
- § 1790z2, " "
- § 1984w, " "
- § 1984x, " "
- § 1997a, part unenforced.
- § 1997b1, unenforced.
- § 1997b2, " "
- § 1997b4, " "
- § 1907b5, " "
- § 1997b6, " "
- § 1997b7, " "
- § 1997c3, " "
- § 2003a4, " "
- § 2102a, " "
- § 2102g, " "
- § 2102h, " "
- § 2102i, " "
- § 2136f, " "
- § 2136g, " "
- § 2136h, " "
- § 2215a, " "
- § 2283d6, partly unenforced.
- § 2283d7, unenforced.
- § 2283d8, " "
- § 2283e3, " "
- § 3363, part relative to driver brakes, unenforced.
- § 3397a, not enforced outside of large yards.
- § 3439a, unenforced.
- § 3439b, " "
- § 5174g, as a general rule not enforced.
- § 5174h, " " "
- § 5174i, " " "
- § 5174k, " " "

Howell's Statutes,
Sections, —, Vol. III.

§ 5174l,	unenforced.
§ 5174m,	"
§ 5174n,	unenforced.
§ 5174o,	"
§ 5174p,	"
§ 5174q,	"
§ 5174r,	"
§ 5174s,	"
ca 9112c,	"
§ 9122d,	"
§ 9136,	proviso unenforced
§ 9314f,	unenforced.
§ 9314g,	"
§ 9314h,	unenforced.
§ 9315c,	"
§ 9330a,	"
§ 9330b,	"
§ 9330c,	"
§ 9354f,	"
§ 9354g,	"
§ 9354h,	"
§ 9354i,	"
§ 9354j,	reference to trusts unenforced.
§ 9354k,	" " "
§ 9354l,	" " "
§ 9354m,	" " "
§ 9354n,	" " "

Public Acts, 1893.

- § Act 45, Sec. 4. Reference to railroad crossing gates, no penalty for failure of company to build the gates.
- § Act 148, Sec. 1-23. Unenforced.
- § Act 156, Sec. 1. With reference to ill treating children, unenforced.

Public Acts, 1895.

- § Act 43. To prevent blindness unenforced.
- § Act 122. Reference to silver goods unenforced.
- § Act 146. Unenforced.

Should stand 32—24—54—20=130.

Credit 4—26—2=32.

- Sec. § 726, in regard to taking the oath of office in townships, fine not imposed.
- § 762, in regard to constables giving security and next section.
- § 819, in regard to pounds, not complied with in many localities,
- c 851, in regard to statistics of treatment for the cure of inebriates, not enforced.
- c 860, in regard to deaths, births and marriages, not enforced.
- c 863, penalty not enforced.
- c 1276, penalty not enforced in regard to auctioneers without license.
- § 1285, penalty for not displaying notice that authority has been given to sell liquor not enforced.
- r c 1287, in regard to supervisors reporting violation of liquor laws, not enforced.
- r c 1289, notice by prosecuting attorney, not enforced.
- 1291, penalty for officers neglecting to notify, not enforced.
- r c 1399, penalty for neglect of duty by highway commissioner, unenforced.
- § 1455, in regard to injury to trees along highway not enforced.
- § 1407, in regard to trees falling in highways, penalty not enforced.
- § 1409, credit for planting trees along highway not given.
- § 1410, commissioner to plant trees, not enforced.
- § 1411, sometimes enforced, but no penalty if not enforced.
- § 1419, penalty for not removing weeds, etc., not enforced.

- Sec. c 1418, no penalty attached to this section requiring commissioner to erect grade posts.
- c 1557, in regard to sealing of weights and measures, not enforced.
- c 1564, penalty on sealer not enforced.
- c 1565, inoperative.
- c 1575, not enforced.
- c 1574, not enforced.
- s 1617, penalty for not keeping scales in a mill, not enforced.
- s 1675, penalty for not giving notice of a contagious disease, not enforced.
- s 1690, no penalty attached for bringing cattle into this State.
- r 1999, not enforced.
- s 2002, not enforced.
- s 2003, not enforced.
- c 2015, not enforced, no penalty.
- s 2024, in regard to gaming, not enforced; should be.
- s 2030, not enforced.
- s 2094, no fine attached in case officers do not examine hotels.
- s r 2204, in regard to killing certain birds, not enforced.
- s 2206, in regard to transporting certain game, not enforced.
- s 2206, not enforced, should be as amended.
- s 2211, not enforced, should be as amended.
- s r 2216, not enforced.
- c 2220, obsolete.
- s 2221, never enforced.
- s 2233, never enforced.
- s 2239, fine never enforced.
- s 2240, not enforced.
- s 2241, " "
- s 3442, in regard to railroad cutting trees, no penalty for not complying with the statute.
- c 5165, in regard to persons serving as inspectors of schools not enforced.
- s 9122b, in regard to the sale of toy pistols not enforced.
- s 9122c, " " persons boarding trains while in motion not enforced.
- c 9136, in regard to persons entering cars for the purpose of obtaining passage not enforced.
- s 9292, penalty for crime against nature not enforced.
- c 9293, penalty for swearing not enforced.
- s 9294, not enforced.
- c 9300, in regard to the sale of foods, etc., within two miles of a house of worship while holding religious services not enforced.
- s 9307, in regard to carrying persons to a prize fight not enforced.
- s 9312, against the sale of medicine to cause abortion not enforced.
- s 9313, not enforced.
- c 9322, in regard to giving false name not enforced.
- s 9331, " " " lotteries not enforced.
- s 9357, penalty for divulging the contents of a message not enforced.
- s 1387, penalty for driving over a bridge faster than a walk not enforced.
- s 1404, in regard to injury to mile post not enforced.
- s 1454e, " " " driving over a county bridge faster than a walk not enforced.
- c 1455g, in regard to the use of wide-tire wagon, rebate not given.
- c 1767, in regard to bringing of poor people into county not enforced.
- s 1984, in regard to giving inmates of the soldiers' home liquor not enforced.
- s 1997a7, in regard to taking advantage of a laborer who is in poor circumstances and compelling him to work more than ten hours not enforced. This is so but it is the court's fault.
- s 1997b8, in regard to children working nine hours each day not enforced.
- s 2102g, in regard to the passage of steam vehicles on the highway not enforced.
- s 2102s, in regard to the use of sleigh bells in the U. P. not enforced.
- c 2194m, in regard to fishing in certain lakes no penalty attached.
- c 2194n, do.
- s 2197h, in regard to taking fish less than six inches in length not enforced.
- c 2197q, penalty for neglect to make report of fish caught not enforced.
- s 2215, not enforced.
- s 2215p, Not enforced.
- c 2215r, " "
- s 2283d7, In regard to students being allowed in saloons not enforced.

- Sec. s 2283d8, Not enforced.
 s 2283d6, " "
 s 2283e3, " "
 s 9108 In regard to administering of any medicine to produce miscarriage not enforced.
 s 9122c, Sale of tobacco to minors prohibited and not enforced.
 c Act 138, Public Acts of 93 void.
 s " 170, " " " 93 not enforced.
 s There is also an act in regard to officers of school districts buying flags which I could not find because I did not have the public acts in which it was, which has no penalty clause.

Total No. 86.

List of inoperative laws on the statute books in the State of Michigan, collected by H. A. Moore, Ann Arbor, Mich., 59 E. Washington St.
 Credit 12-10 2—24.
 Should stand 24-24 9—57.
 Rep. 4.

U. of M., Ann Arbor, January 18, 1897.

The following laws are found to be "Dead-letter laws," or to have no penalty annexed to their violation. The references are to the sections of Howell's statutes:

- Sec. c 9374 Betting on elections prohibited—habitually violated.
 c 9288 Renting houses for prostitution prohibited.
 c 9376 Betting on nominations prohibited.
 c 9377 Offering political place for support and to secure votes prohibited.
 c 9387 Prohibiting racing of animals.
 c 9388 Prohibiting racing of animals.
 c 9389 Prohibiting racing of animals.
 c 9290 Prohibiting racing of animals.
 s 9286 Keeping houses of prostitution, prohibited, abolished. As amended.
 c 9565 Persons opposed to capital punishment need not sit on juries, capital cases—capital punishment.
 c 2329 Providing bounty to sugar raisers—obsolete.
 c 2330 Providing bounty to sugar raisers—obsolete.
 c 2331 Providing bounty to sugar raisers—obsolete.
 s 6216 Parties to the marriage contract to be examined under oath.
 s 9118c Vol. 3. Gasoline must be labeled when sold—disregarded.
 s 9122c Vol. 3. Prohibiting the sale of tobacco to boys under 17.
 c 9272 Vol. 2. Penalty for trying to make Indians break treaty—no tribes left.
 c 4773 Prohibiting liquor selling within $\frac{1}{4}$ mile of rural cemeteries.
 s 5078 Providing that township school inspectors shall make reports in triplicate.
 c 5080 Providing that township school inspectors shall make reports in triplicate.
 s 9317 Making it unlawful to adulterate food.
 s 9318 Physicians to be punished for prescribing poison when drunk.
 s 9393 Owner of stock not to tie the feet of same when carrying to market.
 c 843 Duty of mine owners to furnish mining statistics—no penalty.
 c 1629 Duty of physicians to report to State Board of Health.
 c 1630 Duty of physicians to report to State Board of Health—no penalty.
 c 2091 Duty of hotel keepers.
 c 5136 A township library shall be maintained.
 c 5137 Duty of president of board of trustees of schools to make report to Superintendent of Public Instruction—no penalty.
 s 1408 Trees shall be planted along highways—no punishment for not planting.
 c 1418 Highway commissioner to post sign-boards to be posted along highways telling distance to towns.
 c 1438 Marking of State roads with milestones.
 c 1509 Duties devolving upon persons having salt inspected.
 c 1510 Do. No penalties.
 c 1511 Do.

- Sec. c 1552 Relating to the establishment of county and township scales.
 c 1553 Do. and providing for examination of all scales.
 c 1554 Do. within township and sealing of same.
 c 2279 Requiring the city and village marshals shall visit places where liquor is sold at least once per week.
 c 3189 Requiring that banks shall keep redemption offices at Detroit—no penalty.
 c 3318 It shall be duty of board of directors of railroad companies to make a yearly statement under oath to meeting of stockholders of road—no penalty for not making.
 c 3321 A map of railroad route to be made and deposited with clerk of county through which railroad passes.
 s 3560 Every railroad shall furnish same freight rates on side line as on the main line.
 c 3978 Co-operative trust companies shall make annual statement—no penalty.
 3379 Electric light companies to make annual report—no penalty. Not right citation.
 c 4918 Mining company to make report—no penalty.
 s 4049 Corporation conducting business out of State to file articles with Secretary of State and in county.
 c 4248 Statement of purposes of corporation to be published in newspaper.
 s 9122b Prohibiting sale of toy pistols or any cartridge to use in same to minors.
 c 5165 Penalty inflicted for failing to qualify as school inspectors.
 s 2283 Liquor dealer not to go bonds for another dealer or one in manufacture or sale of liquor.
 s 2283d7 Minors not to play games where liquor is sold.
 s 2283d8 Unlawful for minors to visit places where liquors are sold.
 s 2283f4 Screens and curtains to be removed from before places where liquors are sold—habitually disregarded.
 s 9314f Prohibiting posting of pictures of fighting, murder, personal violence or indiscrete pictures on public signboards.
 s 3455 Discrimination in freight rates by railroads prohibited.
 s 2283 Prohibiting sale of liquors near dance halls, theaters.
 s 9354 Prohibiting the formation of combinations to control the production of any articles.
 s 1334 Requiring every male person of age of 21 years to pay a poll tax—disregarded in many parts of State.
 s 1576 Requiring that every person give correct weight in weighing cattle, sheep, etc.

No. c 207, session laws of 1883, providing Keeley cure for inebriates, 62 paragraphs found to be dead-letter laws.

CARL V. WISNER,
 28 N. State St., Ann Arbor, Mich.

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN,
 Ann Arbor, January 19.

Hon. Robert E. Frazer, Hon. James Pound:

Dear Sirs—I herewith inclose a list of inoperative laws of Michigan, compiled in accordance with Governor Pingree's expressed purpose in offering a prize for the largest number of such laws from a student of this university. Those laws which may be inoperative at various times and in various localities, owing to the failure of the individual officers to enforce them, have been omitted. A large number of such laws might be given, but I believe that Governor Pingree desires only such mandatory statutes as are generally inoperative, and that only such will be considered by the judges.

Very truly,

Herbert A. Dancer.

32 Spring street, Ann Arbor, Mich.

INOPERATIVE LAWS OF MICHIGAN.

References are to sections in Howell's Annotated Statutes :

Volume I

Secs. c 1015, 1018, secs. 14 and 15 in the general tax law of 1885, in so far as it requires supervisors to assess property at its full value, and to make the owner give a written statement of his property.

c 1257, 1266, in so far as peddlers are required to procure a license, is inoperative in rural districts.

s 1296, providing that all public highways shall be at least four rods wide.

s 1350, 1351, regulating the work done on public highways (no penalty attached and not enforced).

c 1334, providing for a poll tax of one day's work on the highway, on every male over twenty-one years of age.

s 1387, imposing a fine on anyone who trots across a bridge.

s 1408, requiring shade trees to be planted along public highways.

s 1410, requiring road commissioners to superintend such planting of shade trees.

c 1418, providing for guide posts to be erected at cross roads, by commissioners.

c 1458, forbidding any liveryman from employing one addicted to drunkenness.

c 1419, requiring adjoining owners to cut obnoxious weeds along the roads, and to pick out stones, etc.

c 1460, prohibiting horse racing or running except as provided for by law.

s 2016, 2017, forbidding tavern keepers from entertaining anyone except travelers, boarders or strangers on Sunday; and imposing a penalty therefor.

s 2018, forbidding anyone from attending games, theaters, etc., on Sunday.

s 2023, forbidding gambling in any form.

s 2024, subjecting the winner of money to a fine in certain cases.

s 2031, imposing a penalty on anyone playing cards, billiards, etc., for the purpose of gaming.

s 2061, 2062, providing for notice, etc., by one who has found lost goods.

s 2091, requiring hotel keepers to keep a sufficient number of fire extinguishers, red lights, etc.

s 2153, 2157, requiring the erection of fish shutes or ladders in dams.

s 2163, prohibiting the placing of any filth in waters from which fish are taken.

s 2244, prohibiting the adulteration of milk and butter.

s 2260, forbidding the adulteration of liquors.

s 2261, requiring manufacturers of liquors to brand or mark the vessels containing liquors with their name; and the words: "Pure and without drugs or poison."

s 2262, forbidding the sale of liquors not in vessels so marked.

s 2268, forbidding any person to allow students in any institution of learning to play games in any building where liquor is sold; and forbidding the sale of liquor to such student.

Vol. II.

Sec. s 4917, providing that tuition shall not be charged Michigan students at the University of Michigan.

s 6216, requiring justice of the peace or minister of the gospel to examine on oath one to be married, as to the legality of the marriage, etc.

s 6360, requiring any person who has bound out any child to care for him and protect him against cruelty, etc.

s 8941, requiring civil and criminal prisoners to be kept in separate rooms.

s 9110, forbidding anyone from pointing firearms at another.

s 9111, imposing a penalty for discharging fire arms pointed in the direction of another.

s 9112, imposing a penalty on anyone who accidentally wounds another by the accidental discharge of firearms.

s 9119, 9120, imposing a penalty on one who does not put up a danger signal where he is cutting ice.

s 9122, (b) forbidding the sale of toy pistols to children.

s 9122, (b) forbidding the boarding of a train in motion.

s 9162, imposing a penalty on one who cheats another.

s 9212, requiring a copy of acts for the protection of libraries to be posted in such libraries.

- Sec. s 9273, s 9274, rep. 9275, forbidding the unlawful interference of one with another's pursuit of his occupation.**
s 9282, s 9283, forbidding under penalty seduction and cohabitation of unmarried persons.
s 9286, forbidding under penalty the keeping of a house of ill-fame.
s 9288, imposing a penalty on anyone who rents a house knowing it is to be used for immoral purposes.
s 9293, forbidding blasphemy.
s 9294, forbidding the use of profanity.
s 9308, imposing a penalty on one who attends a prize fight.
s 9331 to s 9335, forbidding all lotteries and games of chance of whatever kind.
s 9368, forbidding under penalty the use of any corrupt means whatsoever in influencing a man in giving or withholding his vote at any election.
s 9272, requiring inspectors to prosecute any offense against election laws they have cause to believe probable.
s 9274, s 9275, s 9276, forbidding under penalty any betting on elections or nominations for election.
s 9877, (III) holding one guilty of bribery who promises to procure or to endeavor to procure the vote of another.
s 9380, s 9381, forbidding the giving of any drinks or refreshments before or immediately after any election.
s 9382, forbidding any intimidation of voters.
c 9487, c 9389, c 9390, forbidding horse racing except in such a manner as is provided by law.

Vol. III.

- Sec. s 1350, s 1351, regulating the work on country roads.**
 (Other sections as to highways as in Vol. I.)
s 1690m, 1690n, 1690v, 1690w, forbidding the sale of adulterated milk, and imposing a penalty for so doing.
s 2102a, s 2102b, s 2102c, requiring a suitable number of fire escapes on factories, hotels and theaters.
s 2156, s 2156, s 2156, requiring the supervisors to enforce the erection of fish shutes and ladders in dams.
s 2102, requiring one running an engine on a road to send a man ahead, to stop when a team is met, and prohibiting the blowing of the whistle.
 (s 2283, etc., as to sale of liquors, etc., as in Vol. I.)
s 9113, forbidding the carrying of concealed weapons.
s 9122, forbidding the sale of tobacco in any form to children under 17 years of age, and imposing a penalty therefor.

Laws once in force but now out of date.

- Sec. c 80, c 81, c 82, c 89, providing for the registration of electors in cities and townships in 1859.**
s 1862 to 1969, providing for the establishment and organization of the "State Public School."
s 4937, s 4939, s 4941, appropriations, etc., for professorships in the school of mines.
c 4953, Superintendent of Public Instruction to give notice of the opening of the State Normal School.
c 4981, c 498, providing for preliminaries in establishing the Agricultural College.
c 8939, sheriff not to receive fugitive slaves.

Credit, 148.

Stand, 354.

H. A. Dancer.

Ann Arbor, Mich., January 19, 1897.

To the judges of the Pingree prize:

Dear Sirs—I hereby submit the following sections of Howell's statutes for your consideration. As the prize offer is not very specific, it is rather undecided just what sections the Governor would like referred to.

Yours respectfully,

Orien S. Cross,
 60 S. Fifth Ave., Ann Arbor, Mich.

Law student.

H. S., Volume I.

Secs. cr 10 to 23, inclusive, as to publication and distribution of laws and documents.
or 154 to 178, as to general and special elections.

Secs. rr 328, 329, as to commissioner of immigration, etc.

rr 353, as the fiscal year.

rr 509, 510, as to section corners.

rr 787, 787 (a), 787 (b), as to purchase and distribution of township laws.

s 797, 798, 799, as to line fences, etc.

r 859, as to marriages.

r 863, as to penalty for failure to keep record of marriages under section 859.

r 1001 to 1070, inclusive, as to taxes.

rr 1174, as to granting injunction to restrain the collection of taxes.

r 1181 to 1184, inclusive, as to licensed homesteads.

r 1194 to 1206, inclusive, as to assessments and reassessments of taxes.

r 1206, as to payment of taxes on lands purchased at tax sales.

r 1210, as to returns of tax sales.

r 1212, as to construction of acts legalizing taxes.

These I count for nothing and are only on the book because no republication of the set has been had since the several acts were repealed.

Secs. r 1228 to 1236 inclusive, as to taxes on palace, sleeping car, and special or fast freight lines.

r 1249 to 1256 inclusive, as to assessment of specific taxes by estimate.

r 1277 to 1280 inclusive, as to a tax on sales of brewed and fermented liquors to be brought into the State.

r 1281 to 1292 inclusive, as to the tax upon the business of selling liquors.

r 1293, 1294, as to over-due specific taxes.

r 1442 to 1446 inclusive, as to damages sustained from defective highways, bridges, etc.

r 1691 to 1740 inclusive, as to drainage of swamps, etc.

r 1878 to 1930 inclusive, as to asylums for the insane.

r 1931 to 1943 inclusive, as to additional asylums for the insane.

r 1944, 1945, as to care of insane soldiers and marines.

r 1952 to 1961 inclusive, as to the state as trustee for the insane.

r 1985 to 1997 inclusive, as to disorderly persons.

r 1999, as to protection of children in certain cases, also Secs. 2002, 2003.

r 2015, as to observance of Sunday. No penalty.

r 2016, as to closing saloons on Sunday.

r 2017, 2018, of the same act. No penalty.

s 2023, 2024, 2025, 2026, 2029, 2030, 2031, 2032, as to gaming.

s 2091 to 2094 inclusive, as to protection of guests in hotels.

s 2096, 2097, 2098, 2099, 2100, 2101, 2102, as to safety of persons at public assemblies.

s 2144 to 2148 inclusive, as to board of fish commissioners.

s 2150 to 2157, inclusive, as to fish shutes.

s 2165 to 2169, as to protection of fish.

s 2171, as to penalty.

s 2195 to 2197 (a), as to protection of fish in inland waters.

cs 2204, as to killing of birds.

s 2220, as to killing of elk.

s 2211, as to hunting with guns and dogs.

s 2222, as to penalty.

s 2233 to 2239, inclusive, as to prevention against the spread of Canada thistles.

ss 2240 to 2242, inclusive, as to sale of wheat.

ss 2247 to 2259, inclusive, as to destruction of wolves, etc.

cs 2267, as to students and minors.

s 2268, as to sale to minors.

s 2271 to 2276, inclusive, as to sale of liquors to minors, etc.

s 2582, as to druggists selling liquor to minors.

r 3030 to 3064 inclusive, as to taking private property for public use, etc.

r 3135 to 3208 inclusive, as to general banking laws.

r 3212 to 3236 inclusive, as to savings associations.

r 3237 to 3251 inclusive, as to trust, deposit, and security companies.

r 3516, as to taxes on railroads.

r 3561, as to taxes on capital of railroads.

r 3949 to 3960 inclusive, as to cooperative and mutual benefit associations.

r 4001 to 4025 inclusive, as to mining and manufacturing companies.

r 4127 to 4161 inclusive, as to formation of manufacturing companies.

r 4859a, as to State board of fish commissioners.

H. S., Vol. II.

Sec. r 4917, as to the University being open to citizens of Michigan without charge of tuition.

r 4946 to 4976 inclusive, as to the State Normal school.

r 5149, as to State board of education making list of books suitable for libraries.

r 5386, 5387, as to relief of purchasers and settlers on swamp lands.

r 5450 to 5456 inclusive, as to State swamp land commissioner.

r 5478, as to tax upon ores.

r 5990 to 5992 inclusive, as to proceedings to ascertain and determine the heirs of deceased persons.

r 6216, as to one of the parties to a marriage to be examined on oath.

r 6218, as to penalty for performing marriage ceremony.

s 6222, as to certificates and record as evidence.

s 6253, as to cohabitation after divorce.

s 6290, as to estate by courtesy.

r 6379, 6380, 6381, as to changing names of minors and others.

r 6478 to 6480 inclusive, as to additional judges in the third circuit.

r 6512 to 6572 inclusive, as to stenographer for different circuits.

s 6535 to 6563 inclusive, as to the superior court of Detroit.

c 7623 to 7629 inclusive, as to jurors in courts of record in the city of Detroit and Wayne county.

c 8377 to 8397 inclusive, as to liens of mechanics and others.

r 8412 to 8427 inclusive, as to liens for labor on logs, timber, posts, etc.

r 8749a to 8749l inclusive, as to preference prohibited in distribution of the property of debtors, etc.

s 9119, 9120, as to danger signals at places of ice cutting.

s 9122(b), as to sale of toy pistols.

s 9122(c), as to boarding trains in motion.

r 9187, 9188, as to embezzlement in certain cases.

s 9241, as to bribes to officers.

s 9242, as to officers accepting bribes.

s 9283, as to seduction.

s 9286, as to keeping houses of ill-fame.

s 9288, as to penalty for letting a house for purpose of prostitution, etc.

s 9289, as to obscene books, etc.

s 9293, as to swearing.

s 9294, as to cursing and swearing.

s 9306, as to penalty for engaging in prize fights.

s 9307, as to training.

s 9308, as to being present.

s 9309, as to aiding prize fights.

s 9312, as to selling drugs for certain criminal purposes. Also Secs. ss 9313, s 9314.

s 9331 to 9335 inclusive, as to lotteries.

s 9368, as to bribing an elector.

s 9370, 9373, as to offenses against election laws.

s 9374, as to purity of elections—betting prohibited.

s 9375, 9376, as to betting upon results of elections, etc.

s 9379, 9380, 9381, 9382, 9383, 9384, as to maintenance of political purity.

c 9387, as to racing of animals. Also 9388, 9389, 9390.

s 9392, 9393, 9394, 9395, 9396, 9398, as to prevention of cruelty to animals.

s 9415, as to provisions concerning crimes and punishments.

Vol. III, H. S., Secs. 9314 (f), s 9314 (g), s 8314 (h), as to the promotion of morality and prevention of crime.

This man has cited mostly repealed laws, which are of no account and has entirely missed the point—if the judges have not.

He has cited repealed laws, 851.

He is entitled to credit for, 32.

He has cited laws which should stand, 64.

On motion of Mr. Atkinson,

The message and accompanying documents were referred to the committee on Revision of our Present Statutes.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 19, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That the Secretary of State be and hereby is instructed to present one copy of the Legislative Manual to each pastor or clergyman who has heretofore, during this session, conducted religious services at any session of the Senate or House of Representatives, or who shall hereafter during this session conduct such services before the Senate or House;

In the adoption of which the Senate has concurred.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The resolution was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 18, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved by the Senate (the House concurring), That the contractor to be employed by the Judiciary committees of the House and Senate be instructed to forward one copy of the daily Journal to each daily newspaper published within this State, and to each county clerk, county commissioner of schools, public library and labor library, and upon request, in writing, to the Secretary of State, by any of the following, viz.: To each weekly newspaper published within this State, each State officer or member of State commission, supreme, circuit and probate judge, prosecuting attorney, circuit court commissioner, board of trade, recorder, and recorder's court in this State, and each superintendent of any high school or union school in this State, and that the amount of postage on such copies of the Journal be paid by the State Treasurer on the warrant of the Auditor General on the presentation of bills duly certified by the postmaster at Lansing and by the Secretary of State, showing that such stamps had been purchased and used only for the payment of postage on said copies of said Journal hereby ordered to be distributed;

Which has been adopted by the Senate, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The question being on concurring in the adoption of the resolution,
The resolution was adopted.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 18, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 81 (file No. 21), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 4 of an act entitled "An act to prescribe the manner of conducting and to prevent fraud and deception at elections in this State, the same being Sec. 4 of act 190 of the public acts of 1891, as amended by Sec. 4 of act No. 17 of the public acts of 1893, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act;"

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has been ordered to take immediate effect, and in all of which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Elections.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 18, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 57 (file No. 18), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of an act entitled "An act to authorize the formation of corporations for the purchase and improvement of grounds to be occupied for summer homes, for camp meetings, for meetings of assemblies or associations and societies organized for intellectual and scientific culture, and for the promotion of the cause of religion and morality, or for any or all of such purposes," approved March 29, 1889, being Chap. 120d, volume 3, of Howell's annotated statutes, as amended by act No. 116 of the public acts of 1895;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has been ordered to take immediate effect, and in all of which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 18, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved by the Senate (the House concurring), That the Governor be and is hereby authorized to appoint an executive messenger for the session;

Which has been adopted by the Senate, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,
Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The question being on concurring in the adoption of the resolution,
The resolution was adopted.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 18, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 229, entitled

A bill to provide for the transfer of money from the contingent fund of Bay county to the general fund of the county road commissioners of Bay county;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,
Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 18, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 79 (file No. 20), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. No. 5 of act No. 135 of the public acts of Michigan of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the holding of primaries in cities of not less than 15,000 inhabitants and not over 150,000 inhabitants, and

to punish frauds therein, and by delegates elected thereat, and the corruption and attempted corruption of such delegates;”

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has been ordered to take immediate effect, and in all of which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Elections.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 19, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following concurrent resolution:

WHEREAS, The services of William R. Shafter during the war of the rebellion as lieutenant of the Seventh Michigan Infantry, major of the Nineteenth Michigan Infantry, and as colonel of a colored regiment distinguished him as, and proved him to be, one of Michigan's most valiant, loyal, capable and able sons; and

WHEREAS, A vacancy is liable to occur in the position of brigadier general in the United States army, which it will be necessary for the President to fill by appointment; and

WHEREAS, William R. Shafter now occupies the position of ranking colonel of the United States army,—being in charge of the Presidio, of San Francisco, California, which is the largest and most important post in the United States; and

WHEREAS, In the ordinary course of military appointments, Colonel Shafter, as ranking colonel, is entitled to appointment to fill the first vacancy in the position of brigadier general of the United States army; therefore be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That it is the desire of the legislature of the State of Michigan, and each and every member thereof, that President-elect McKinley appoint Colonel Shafter to the first vacancy in the position of brigadier general in the United States army, and that Gen. Russell A. Alger, Secretary of War, appointed, use his influence to secure such appointment.

Resolved, That, after adoption, these resolutions be forwarded to President-elect McKinley, after being signed by the Speaker of the House and President of the Senate, and that a copy thereof be sent to Gen. Russell A. Alger;

In the adoption of which the Senate has concurred.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,

Secretary of the Senate.

The resolution was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 18, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 80, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of an act entitled "An act to organize the union school district of the city of Alpena," approved April 4, 1873, and the acts amendatory thereof;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 18, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 191, entitled

A bill to provide for the continuance of the recompilation and copying of the records in the office of the Adjutant General pertaining to the enlistment, muster, history and final disposition of the soldiers and sailors from this State during the war of the rebellion, and for the publication of a "Roster of Michigan soldiers from 1861 to 1866 inclusive," and to make appropriations therefor;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 18, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 139, entitled

A bill to provide for the printing and distribution of all laws of a public and general character which have been given immediate effect.

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

NOTICES.

Mr. Davis gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the Detroit & Erin Plank Road Company.

Mr. Davis gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the Erin & Mt. Clemens Plank Road Company.

Mr. Calhoun gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill relative to spearing fish in rivers and inland lakes.

Mr. Eikhoff gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend charter of city of Detroit.

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A bill to amend charter of city of Detroit.

Mr. Herrig gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the retirement of aged and disabled policemen employed by the city of Saginaw and to pension them.

Mr. F. M. Shepard gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to detach certain territory from the union school district of the city of Owosso and attach the same to fractional school district No. 4 of the townships of Owosso and Caledonia, Shiawassee county.

Mr. Lusk gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to detach the township of Wisner from the county of Tuscola and to attach the same to the county of Bay.

Mr. Lusk gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to revise and amend the charter of West Bay City and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith.

Mr. Lusk gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of Chap. 2 of the charter of West Bay City by changing the name of West Bay City to Wenona.

Mr. Stoneman gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 49 of Chap. 2 of act No. 468 of the local acts of 1895, entitled "An act to amend and revise Chaps. 1 and 2 of an act entitled 'An act to provide a charter for the city of Detroit,' and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith," approved June 7, 1883.

Mr. Molster gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend charter of the city of Detroit.

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Mr. Billings gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Negaunee.

Mr. Billings gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Marquette.

Mr. Putney gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize county agents to accompany all children sent from their counties to Coldwater and other State institutions for children.

Mr. Gillam gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to detach certain territory from the township of Bentley in the county of Gladwin, and to organize the township of ———.

Mr. Oberdorffer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the formation of corporations for the purpose of improving the navigation and water power of any river which forms in whole or in part the boundary between this and any adjoining State.

Mr. Oberdorffer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to vacate the township of Ingallston in the county of Menominee, and to incorporate the territory within the adjoining townships of Mellen, Menominee and Cedarville, in Menominee county, and to provide for the disposition of all credits and debts now existing in said township of Ingallston.

Mr. Mayer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to revise and amend the charter of the city of Lansing.

Mr. Mayer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Lansing.

Mr. Fuller gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill providing for a charter for the city of Escanaba, in county of Delta.

Mr. Lusk gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to repeal act No. 286 of the local acts of the sessions of 1893, entitled "An act to fix the salary of the probate judge of Bay county."

Mr. January gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 50 of Chap. 7 of an act entitled "An act to provide for a charter for the city of Detroit, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith," approved June 7, 1883.

Mr. January gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to require all the boards and commissions of the city of Detroit to hold all official meetings in public.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Oberdorffer, unanimous consent being given, introduced House bill No. 589, entitled

A bill to repeal act No. 29 of the public acts of 1897, entitled "An act to provide for the payment of bounties for the killing of English sparrows," the same being Secs. 2259b, 2259c and 2259d of Howell's annotated statutes as amended by act No. 189 of the public acts of 1895, and all other acts amendatory thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Oberdorffer, unanimous consent being given, introduced House bill No. 590, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 7 of act No. 149 of the public acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for a county and township system of roads and to prescribe the powers and duties of the officers having charge thereof."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Mr. M. G. Moore, unanimous consent being given, introduced House bill No. 591, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 144, 145 and 146 of Chap. 247 of the revised statutes of Michigan, being Secs. 6738, 6739 and 6740 of Howell's statutes of Michigan, relative to chancery appeals.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. M. G. Moore, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 592, entitled

A bill to repeal act No. 100 of the session laws of 1848, entitled "An act to incorporate the Detroit and Saline Plank Road Company."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. M. G. Moore,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Bricker, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 593, entitled

A bill for the regulation of the charges of express companies doing business within this State, and for providing penalties for the violation of the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Bricker, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 594, entitled

A bill for the regulation of freight rates on the railroads in the State of Michigan, and for providing penalties for the violation of the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Railroads.

Mr. C. C. Phillips, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 595, entitled

A bill to amend the title and Secs. 1, 2, 4 and 5 of act No. 246 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to establish a permanent State Weather Service in this State, coöperating with the Weather Bureau, United State Department of Agriculture, for the purpose of the collection and compilation of climatic and meteorological data, the accurate and rapid dissemination of daily weather forecasts, also frost and cold wave warnings and weather crop conditions; the same to be used for the benefit of the agricultural, commercial and scientific interests of the State, and making an appropriation therefor," approved June 1, 1895.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

Mr. C. C. Phillips, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 596, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of an act to authorize the establishment of a home for disabled soldiers, sailors and marines in the State of Michigan, approved June 5, 1885.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Soldiers' Home.

Mr. C. C. Phillips, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 597, entitled

A bill to provide a dining-room and kitchen for the women's building on the grounds of the Michigan Soldier's Home.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Soldiers' Home.

Mr. Molster, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 598, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21 of an act entitled "An act to authorize the city of Detroit to take private property for the use and benefit of the public," approved June 4, 1895.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Molster, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 599, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 4 of act No. 460 of the local acts of 1895, entitled "An act to establish and provide justices' courts in the city of Detroit, and to repeal act No. 280 of the local acts of 1883, entitled 'An act relative to justices' courts in the city of Detroit,' approved April 25, 1883, and all acts amendatory thereof," approved June 1, 1895, being Sec. — of Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. E. W. Moore, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 600, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. No. 1, 3, 7, 11, 14, 17, 20, 30, 36, 37, 63, 75, 82 and 97 of act No. 53 of the session laws of 1859, entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Battle Creek, approved February 3, 1859, as revised and amended by the several acts revisionary and amendatory thereof," approved April 9, 1887, as amended by act No. 384 of the session laws of 1889, approved May 9, 1889, and as amended by act No. 331 of the session laws of 1891 approved May 22, 1891, and as amended by act No. 312 of the session laws of 1893, approved March 22, 1893, and as amended by act No. 418 of the session laws of 1895, approved May 17, 1895.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. E. W. Moore,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Foote, unanimous consent having been given, introduced

House bill No. 601, entitled

A bill to appoint an assistant prosecuting attorney for Kalamazoo county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

Mr. Foote moved that the rules be suspended and the bill be put on its immediate passage;

Pending which,

Mr. Gillam moved that the bill be referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Pending which,

Mr. Adams moved that the bill do lie on the table;

Which motion did not prevail.

The motion that the bill be referred to the committee on Judiciary did not then prevail.

The motion that the rules be suspended and the bill be put on its immediate passage then prevailed, two-thirds of the members present voting therefor.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams
Alward

Mr. Foster
Fuller

Mr. Moore, M. G.
Niedermeier

Mr. Anderson	Mr. Gibson	Mr. Oberdorffer	
Atkinson	Gillam	O'Dett	
Babcock, H.	Goodell	Pearson	
Bates	Goodyear	Perry	
Bemis	Graham	Petrowsky	
Billings	Green	Phillips, C. C.	
Bricker	Hammond	Powers	
Bryan	Harris	Putney	
Buskirk	Herrig	Reed	
Cahoon	Hofmeister	Shepard, F. M.	
Camburn	Jackson	Shepherd, F.	
Clark	January	Stewart	
Coad	Kelly	Tefft	
Colvin	Kimmis	Vought	
Cousins	Lee	Washer	
Crippen	Lusk	Weier	
Davis	Madill	Wetherbee	
Dickinson, J. H.	Marsilje	Widoe	
Dickinson, L. D.	Mayer	Williams	
Donovan	McGill	Wing	
Edgar	Miller	Zimmerman	
Fleischhauer	Molster	Speaker	
Foote	Moore, E. W.		74

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Foote,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Kimmis, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 602, entitled

A bill to regulate the treatment and care of female patients in the insane asylums and the Home for Feeble Minded and Epileptic.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Buskirk, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 603, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 8 of Chap. 3 of act No. 243 of the session laws of 1881, entitled "An act to revise and consolidate the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement and maintenance of highways and private roads, and the building, repairing and preservation of bridges within this State," approved June 8, 1881, as amended by act No. 54 of the public acts of 1891, approved May 1, 1891.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Mr. J. H. Dickinson, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 604, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 30, Chap. 7, of an act, entitled "An act to provide a charter for the city of Detroit, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. J. H. Dickinson, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 605, entitled

A bill to amend Chap. 7 of an act entitled "An act to provide a charter for the city of Detroit, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. McGill, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 606, entitled

A bill making appropriation for the Michigan School for the Deaf for the years 1897 and 1898.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Institution for the Deaf and Dumb.

Mr. McGill, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 607, entitled

A bill to enable the owners of lands in the West Michigan Park Association plat, being a part of section 33 in township number 5 north, of range number 16 west, Ottawa county, to obtain the benefits of the highway taxes assessed against their lands by requiring the township authorities of said township to expend by the construction and improvement of roads and sidewalks on said plat at least 75 per cent of the amount collected from said lands on account of highway taxes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Local Taxation.

Mr. Stoneman, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 608, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 7137 of the compiled laws of 1871, being compiler's Sec. 8698 of Howell's annotated statutes of the State of Michigan relative to limitations of action relating to real property.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Stoneman, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 609, entitled

A bill to provide for and regulate the assessment, levy and collection of taxes in the State of Michigan.

Mr. Peters, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 610, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 1 and 3 of an act of the legislature of the State of Michigan of the year 1891, entitled "An act to revise and amend the charter of the city of Ishpeming, Marquette county," approved March 27, 1891, as amended by act No. 317 of the session laws of 1893, entitled "An act to amend Chap. 1, Sec. 4 of Chap. 3, Sec. 2 of Chap. 6, and Sec. 5 of Chap. 11 of act No. 251 of the session laws of 1891, entitled 'An act to revise and amend the charter of the city of Ishpeming,' approved March 27, 1891, and to repeal all sections and provisions of said act No. 251 as amended which may be in conflict herewith."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Peters,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Peters, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 611, entitled

A bill to provide for the examination by the Commissioner of the Banking Department of the State of all corporations incorporated under act No. 50, public acts of 1887, and all acts amendatory thereto, and the compensation for making such examinations, and a penalty for the violation of any of the provisions of this act, and for the repeal of all existing laws inconsistent herewith.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Peters, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 612, entitled

A bill to prohibit additional compensation by express companies doing business in this State for the delivery of packages or merchandise within the limits of the chartered cities thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Peters, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 613, entitled

A bill to repeal act No. 250 of the public acts of 1887, being "An act to fix the salary of the private secretary of the Auditor General."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Peters, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 614, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 187 of the public acts of 1887, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of co-operative and mutual benefit associations, and to define the powers and duties and regulate the transaction of the business of all such corporations and associations doing business within this State," as heretofore amended, by adding thereto one new section to stand as Sec. 32.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Insurance.

Mr. Peters, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 615, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 46 of the session laws of 1869, being compiler's Sec. 3306 of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Peters, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 616, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 187, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of co-operative and mutual benefit associations, and to define the powers and duties and regulate the transaction of the business of all such corporations and associations doing business within this State," as heretofore amended, by adding thereto one new section to stand as Sec. 33.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Insurance.

Mr. O'Dett, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 617, entitled

A bill to authorize and empower the boards of school inspectors of the townships of Riley and Berlin, in the county of St. Clair, to rent a portion of the schoolhouse situated in the township of Riley.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. O'Dett,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Foster	Mr. Niedermeyer
Allison	Fuller	Oberdorffer
Alward	Gibson	O'Dett
Anderson	Gillam	Pearson
Atkinson	Goodell	Perry
Babcock, H.	Goodyear	Petrowsky
Bates	Graham	Phillips, C. C.
Bemis	Green	Putney
Billings	Hammond	Reed
Bricker	Harris	Savage
Bryan	Herrig	Scully
Buskirk	Hofmeister	Shepard, F. M.
Cahoon	Jackson	Shepherd, F.
Clark	January	Stewart
Clute	Kelly	Stoneman
Coad	Lee	Tefft
Colvin	Lusk	Vought
Cousins	Madill	Washer
Crippen	Marsilje	Weler
Davis	Mayer	Wetherbee
Dickinson, L. D.	Miller	Widoe
Donovan	Molster	Wing
Edgar	Moore, E. W.	Zimmerman
Fleischhauer	Moore, M. G.	Speaker
Foote		

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. O'Dett,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Mayer, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 618, entitled

A bill to confer jurisdiction upon courts of chancery to restrain the commission of unlawful acts by corporations for public purposes. their

boards, officers and agencies; and to recover money or property thereof diverted.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Mayer, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 619, entitled

A bill relative to evidence in certain cases and making the certificate of certain officers prima facie evidence.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Crippen, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 620, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 3 of act No. 213 of the public acts of 1887 relative to mine inspectors.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Crippen, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 621, entitled

A bill to prohibit the hunting or killing of any beaver, otter, or fisher in the State of Michigan until the first day of January, A. D. 1901.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Foster, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 622, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the State House of Correction and Reformatory at Ionia.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State House of Correction.

Mr. Stewart, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 623, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act relative to plank roads," approved March 13, 1848.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Stewart, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 624, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 10 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to establish a board of health for the city of Detroit."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Stewart,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Madill, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 625, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 87 of the laws of Michigan of 1875, approved April 16, 1875, being Sec. 6397 of Vol. 2 of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan, entitled "An act to amend Sec. 19 of an act entitled An act to provide for the organization of the supreme court, approved February 16, 1857," being Sec. 4901 of the compiled laws of 1871, and to add to said act two new sections to be known as Secs. 2 and 3.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Clark, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 626, entitled

A bill to empower school district No. 1 of the city of Ludington to borrow money and issue bonds therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Clark,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Graham, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 627, entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of expenses in matters in which the State is a party or interested.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Graham, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 628, entitled

A bill authorizing the appointment of three members of the bar of this State to examine and report upon a revision of the legal procedure in this State in civil cases.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Graham, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 629, entitled

A bill to regulate the catching of fish in the lake known as Carp lake in the township of Algoma in Kent county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Cahoon, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 630, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 250 of the session laws of 1873, entitled "An act to revise the charter of the city of Coldwater," being amendatory to an act, entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Coldwater," approved February 28, 1861, as amended by several acts amendatory thereof, approved April 17, 1873, and an amendatory act approved May 11, 1889, by adding 9 new sections thereto to stand as Secs. 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74 and 75.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Eikhoff, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 631, entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of salaries, wages and moneys due persons holding office under, or employed either directly or indirectly by this State or any county, township or municipality within this State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Bemis, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 632, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 9 and 10 of an act, entitled "An act to regulate the practice of pharmacy in the State of Michigan," being act No. 134 of the public acts of 1885, approved June 2, 1885, as amended by act No. 196 of the public acts of 1887, approved June 18, 1887, the same being compiler's Secs. 2287c7 and 2287c8 respectively of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan, and to add a new section to said act No. 134 to stand as Sec. No. 13 and to make existing Sec. No. 13 to stand as Sec. 14 thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Public Health.

Mr. Billings, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 633, entitled

A bill to create a light and power commission in the city of Marquette, Michigan, and to define its powers and duties.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Billings, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 634, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 13 of Chap. 7; Secs. 2, 6 and 8 of Chap. 9, and Secs. 2, 7, 8, 10, 12, 13, 14, 16, 18, 19 and 22 of Chap. 12 of an act, entitled "An act to amend and revise the charter of the city of Marquette, Marquette county," approved March 27, 1891, as amended by act No. 323 of the local acts of 1893, and as amended by act No. 409 of the local acts of the year 1895, and to add three new sections thereto, to stand as Secs. 37, 38 and 39 of Chap. 12; and to repeal all acts or parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Gillam, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 635, entitled

A bill to prevent the pursuing, hunting or killing of deer in the lower peninsula of the State of Michigan for the period of three years from and after November 1, 1897.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Gillam, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 636, entitled

A bill to prohibit the pursuing, hunting and killing of deer within the county of Alcona for a period of three years from and after November 1, 1897.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Gillam, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 637, entitled

A bill to prohibit the pursuing, hunting and killing of deer within the county of Oscoda for a period of three years from and after November 1, 1897.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Gillam, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 638, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 2, 3 and 36 of act No. 190 of the public acts of 1891, entitled "An act to prescribe the manner of conducting and to prevent fraud and deception at elections held in this State."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Gillam,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Gillam, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 639, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 109 of act No. 173 of the public acts of 1855, being an act to amend Chap. 93 of the revised statutes of the year 1846, said section being compiler's Sec. 6922 of Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Gillam,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Bates, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 640, entitled

A bill to divide the State of Michigan into twelve congressional districts.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Bates,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Molster, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 641, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 29 of act No. 118 of the public acts of 1893, entitled "An act to revise and consolidate the laws relative to the State Prison, to the State House of Correction and branch of the State Prison in the Upper Peninsula, and to the House of Correction and Reformatory at Ionia, and of the government and discipline thereof, and to repeal all acts inconsistent therewith," approved May 26, 1893.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Molster,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Molster, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 642, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 35 of act No. 118 of the public acts of 1893, entitled "An act to revise and consolidate the laws relative to the State Prison,

to the State House of Correction and branch of the State Prison in the Upper Peninsula, and to the House of Correction and Reformatory at Ionia, and of the government and discipline thereof, and to repeal all acts inconsistent therewith," approved May 26, 1893.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Molster,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Fleischhauer, unanimous consent being given, introduced House bill No. 643, entitled

A bill to disorganize the township of Glencoe, Lake county, and attach the territory to the township of Dover of said county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Fleischhauer,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Fleischhauer, unanimous consent being given, introduced House bill No. 644, entitled

A bill to disorganize the township of Newkirk, Lake county, and to attach the territory to the township of Ellsworth of said county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Fleischhauer,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Fleischhauer, unanimous consent being given, introduced House bill No. 645, entitled

A bill to disorganize the township of Cherry Valley of Lake county, and to attach the territory to the township of Pinora of said county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Fleischhauer,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Fleischhauer, unanimous consent being given, introduced House bill No. 646, entitled

A bill to disorganize the township of Eden, Lake county, and to attach the territory to the township of Webber of said county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Fleischhauer,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Fleischhauer, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 647, entitled

A bill to disorganize the township of Lake, Lake county, and to attach the territory to the township of Pleasant Plains of said county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Fleischhauer,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Fleischhauer, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 648, entitled

A bill to disorganize the township of Yates, Lake county, and attach the territory to the township of Chase of said county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Fleischhauer,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Davis (by request), unanimous consent being, given introduced

House bill N. 649, entitled

A bill prohibiting any notary public from taking any acknowledgment or subscribing to any oath as such notary to any of the members of such bank or corporation so long as he remains a stockholder or officer in the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Davis,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Davis, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 650, entitled

A bill making it unlawful for any person to serve as appraiser or commissioner on claims in the estate of any deceased person in the State more than once during any calendar year.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Davis,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Davis, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 651, entitled

A bill to regulate the spearing and taking of fish by net in Clinton river and its tributaries in the county of Macomb.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Davis,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Davis, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 652, entitled

A bill to repeal act No. 57 of the session laws of 1851, entitled "An act authorizing the consolidation of the Detroit & Erin, and Erin & Mt. Clemens Plank Road Companies under the name of the Detroit & Erin Plank Road Company.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Davis,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Davis (by request), unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 653, entitled

A bill to prohibit pool selling in this State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Davis,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Davis, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 654, entitled

A bill to regulate switching charges on all the railroads in this State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its
reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Davis,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Davis (by request), unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 655, entitled

A bill to provide for the appointment of a township commissioner for
the destruction of noxious weeds in the highways of each township.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its
reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Davis,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Davis, previous notice having been given and leave being granted,
introduced

House bill No. 656, entitled

A bill to set aside a part of school district No. 1 of the townships of
Shelby and Sterling in Macomb county and make a new district thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its
reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Davis,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Davis (by request), unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 657, entitled

A bill to fix the salary of the judge of probate for the county of
Macomb.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its
reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Davis,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Davis, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 658, entitled

A bill to regulate the catching of fish in the waters of this State by the
use of pound or trap nets, gill nets, seines and other apparatus.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the
committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Davis, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 659, entitled

A bill to require all persons fishing with nets or similar appliances in
the waters of this State, to obtain a license therefor, and to provide a
penalty for using such nets or similar appliances without such license.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the
committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Davis, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 660, entitled

A bill to repeal act No. 251 of the laws of 1848, entitled "An act to
incorporate the Detroit & Erin Plank Road Company," and all amend-
ments and additions thereto.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Davis, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 661, entitled

A bill to repeal act No. 128 of the laws of 1850, entitled "An act to incorporate the Erin & Mt. Clemens Plank Road Company," and all amendments and additions thereto.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Davis, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 662, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 16 of act No. 62 of the laws of 1848, entitled "An act relative to plank roads."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Davis, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 663, entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the State Board of Fish Commissioners for the year ending June 30, 1898, and the year ending June 30, 1899.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Bryan, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 664, entitled

A bill to prohibit the practice of vivisection.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Bryan,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Bryan, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 665, entitled

A bill to regulate the practice of vivisection.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Bryan,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Bryan, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 666, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of cities of the fourth class."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Bryan,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Bryan, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 667, entitled

A bill to authorize the payment of a bounty for the destruction of kingfishers.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Goodyear, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 668, entitled

A bill to authorize the cities and villages of this State to purchase, construct and operate telephone systems within their corporate limits, to furnish telephone service to the inhabitants thereof and to raise money therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations and Village Corporations, jointly.

Mr. F. M. Shepard, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 669, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from Oakley public school district in the town of Brady, Saginaw county, and the townships of New Haven and Rush in Shiawassee county, and attach the same to school district No. 2 of the township of Rush in said county of Shiawassee in the State of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Goodell, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 670, entitled

A bill to provide for the publishing of the annual accounts of the board of trustees of graded school districts and providing a penalty for failure therein.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Goodell, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 671, entitled

A bill to provide for the erection and maintenance of shutes or ladders for the passage of fish through dams or other like obstructions across the Huron river and its tributaries in Monroe and Wayne counties, and to provide a penalty for violation of the provisions of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Edgar, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 672, entitled

A bill to provide restrictions relative to discharge of inmates of certain State institutions, that such discharged inmates shall cease to be reproductive, providing rules and mode of procedure to restrict the propagation of kind.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Colvin, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 673, entitled

A bill to regulate the practicing of tonsors in the State of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Colvin, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 674, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 356 of the local acts of 1889, entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Merrill, in Saginaw county," by adding one section thereto, to stand as Sec. 6.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Adams,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. F. Shepherd, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 675, entitled

A bill to organize the union school district of the township of Waverly, in Cheboygan county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. F. Shepherd,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. F. Shepherd, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 676, entitled

A bill to organize the union school district of the township of Forest, in Cheboygan county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. F. Shepherd,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. F. Shepherd, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 677, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 5 of act No. 111 of the public acts of 1891, entitled "An act providing for the appointment, defining the duties and fixing the compensation of a stenographer for the 33d judicial circuit," as amended by act No. 28 of the public acts of 1893.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. F. Shepherd,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. F. Shepherd, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 678, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 14, Chap. 2, of act No. 243, entitled "An act to revise and consolidate the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement and maintenance of highways and private roads and the building, repairing and preservation of bridges within this State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. F. Shepherd,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Connors, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 679, entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the purpose of constructing an electric light plant and laundry at the Eastern Michigan Asylum for the Insane.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Eastern Asylum.

Mr. F. Shepherd, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 680, entitled

A bill to provide for the sale of State tax lands.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. F. Shepherd, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 681, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 12 and 26 of Chap. 123 of the revised statutes of 1846, of forcible entries and detainers, being Sec. 8295 and 8308 of Howell's statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. F. Shepherd, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 682, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 10 of Chap. 26 of act No. 333 of the local acts of 1889, entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Cheboygan and to repeal an act to incorporate the village of Cheboygan," approved March 27, 1877, as amended by act No. 202 of the local acts of 1891, and act No. 359 of the local acts of 1895.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Donovan, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 683, entitled

A bill to provide for a municipal court in the city of Bay City, to be called "the superior court of Bay City."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Donovan,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Atkinson, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 684, entitled

A bill to establish a lien upon horses and other animals for the cost of shoeing the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Atkinson, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 685, entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of churches, religious societies and Sabbath schools, and to establish uniform rules for such incorporation.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Revision of the Statutes.

Mr. Stoneman, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 686, entitled

A bill to provide for the local taxation of railroads.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wetherbee, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 687, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of an act entitled "An act to authorize proceedings against garnishees, and for other purposes," approved March 28, 1849, being Sec. 8032 of Howell's statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Wetherbee, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 688, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 4 of an act entitled "An act to provide salary of, and for appointment of clerks for the circuit court commissioners of Wayne county," approved July 2, 1891.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Williams, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 689, entitled

A bill to increase the efficiency of the Michigan National Guards by the addition thereto of a military cycle corps.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Green, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 690, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 2 and 3 of Chap. 1, Secs. 3 and 5 of Chap. 16 of act No. 390 of the local acts of 1885, entitled "An act to amend and revise the charter of the city of Port Huron," approved June 17, 1885.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Green,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Green, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 691, entitled

A bill to authorize the city of Port Huron to re-assess special assessments on lands in said city heretofore made for special improvements and for which such lands were withheld from sale on account of the irregularities in the proceedings taken to levy and collect said assessments.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Green,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Anderson (by request), unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 692, entitled

A bill to provide for the settlement of labor disputes by arbitration, and providing for boards of mediation and arbitration therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Labor.

Mr. Reed, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 693, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the city of Big Rapids in the county of Mecosta, in the State of Michigan, and to attach such territory to the township of Big Rapids, in said county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Reed,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Savage, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 694, entitled

A bill to repeal Chap. 208, Howell's annotated statutes, being act No. 65, session laws of 1869, and all amendatory acts thereto.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Savage,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Adams, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 695, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 95 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the compulsory education of children, for the punishment of truancy, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts conflicting with the provisions of the same."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Adams, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 696, entitled

A bill to provide for the change of rules of evidence in cases where bills in aid of execution are filed.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Putney, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 697, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 72 of act No. 206 of the public acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property, and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; and to make such taxes a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal act No. 200 of the public acts of 1891, and all other acts or parts of acts in anywise contravening the provisions of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Putney, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 698, entitled

A bill to disorganize school district No. 7, in the township of Worth, Sanilac county, Michigan, and to attach the territory of said school district to school districts Nos. 3 and 8 in said township.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Zimmerman, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 699, entitled

A bill to regulate the taking or catching of fish in the waters of Lake St. Clair within the jurisdiction of this State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Zimmerman,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Bates, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 700, entitled

A bill to declare unlawful and void all arrangements, contracts, agreements, trusts or combinations, made with a view to lessen or which tend to lessen free competition or sale of sugar imported into, manufactured, grown or produced in this State, or which tend to advance rates or control the price of sugar to the producer or consumer, and to provide for the punishment of persons, co-partnerships and corporations entering into such arrangements, contracts, agreements, trusts or combinations.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. January, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 701, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 4 and 5 of Chap. 1 of an act entitled "An act to provide for a charter for the city of Detroit, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith," being act No. 326 of the session laws of 1883, approved June 7, 1883, as amended by act No. 398 of the session laws of 1885, approved June 20, 1885, and as further amended by act No. 324 of the session laws of 1891, approved May 13, 1891, and to add three new sections to be known as Secs. 11, 12 and 13.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. January,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. January, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 702, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 4 of an act entitled "An act to provide a charter for the city of Detroit, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith," approved June 7, 1883.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. January,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. January, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 703, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 61 of Chap. 7 of an act entitled "An act to provide a charter for the city of Detroit and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith," approved June 7, 1883, as amended by an act approved June 1, 1895.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. January,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. January, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 704, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 50 of Chap. 7 of an act entitled "An act to provide a charter for the city of Detroit and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith," approved June 7, 1883.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. January,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. January, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 705, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 5 of Chap. 5 of an act entitled "An act to provide a charter for the city of Detroit and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith," approved June 7, 1883.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. January,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. January, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 706, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 17 of Chap. 5 of an act entitled "An act to provide a charter for the city of Detroit and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith," approved June 7, 1883.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. January,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. January, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 707, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of Chap. 5 of an act entitled "An act to provide a charter for the city of Detroit and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith," approved June 7, 1883, as amended by an act approved June 2, 1887.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. January,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. January, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 708, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 19 of Chap. 4 of an act entitled "An act to provide a charter for the city of Detroit and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith," approved June 7, 1883.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. January,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. January, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 709, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 3 of Chap. 4 of an act entitled "An act to provide a charter for the city of Detroit and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith," approved June 7, 1883.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. January,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. January, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 710, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 57 of Chap. 7 of an act entitled "An act to provide a charter for the city of Detroit and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith," approved June 7, 1883, as amended by an act approved June 5, 1887.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. January,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. January, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 711, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 13 of Chap. 7 of an act entitled "An act to provide a charter for the city of Detroit and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith," approved June 7, 1883, as amended by an act approved June 2, 1887.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. January,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. January, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 712, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of Chap. 4 of an act entitled "An act to provide a charter for the city of Detroit and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith," approved June 7, 1883, as amended by an act approved June 2, 1887.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. January,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. January, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 713, entitled

A bill to require all the boards and commissions of the city of Detroit to hold all official meetings in public.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. January,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. January, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 714, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 21 of an act entitled "An act to establish a board of public works in and for the city of Detroit," approved April 20, 1873.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. January,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. January, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 715, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 9 of Chap. 11 of an act entitled "An act to provide a charter for the city of Detroit and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith," approved June 7, 1883, as amended by an act approved June 2, 1889.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. January,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. January, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 716, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 10 of Chap. 10 of an act entitled "An act to provide a charter for the city of Detroit, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. January,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. January, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 717, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 115 of the public acts of 1893, entitled "An act for the government, management and control of the State Public School at Coldwater, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act," approved May 26, 1893, and to add three new sections thereto.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. January,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. January, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 718, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of Chap. 10 of an act, entitled "An act to provide a charter for the city of Detroit, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith," approved June 7, 1883.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. January,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. January, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 719, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of an act, entitled "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to provide for a charter for the city of Detroit, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith,' approved June 7, 1883, by adding a new chapter thereto," approved March 18, 1893.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. January,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. January, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 720, entitled

A bill to regulate primary elections in this State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. January,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. January, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 721, entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the support of the State Public School for the years 1897, and 1898, for making improvements and repairs at that institution and to provide a tax for the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. January,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Fuller, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 722, entitled

A bill to provide for making the President of the village of Munising, ex officio, a member of the board of supervisors of Alger county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Allison, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 723, entitled

A bill to prohibit making contracts payable in gold.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Herrig, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 724, entitled

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Saginaw.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Herrig,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Herrig, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 725, entitled

A bill to amend the charter of the Board of Education of Saginaw, East Side.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Herrig,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Herrig, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 726, entitled

A bill to amend the charter of Union School District, Saginaw, West Side.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Herrig,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Herrig, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 727, entitled

A bill regulating the mode of plugging abandoned salt wells, and providing a penalty for the violation thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Lumber and Salt.

Mr. Herrig, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 728, entitled

A bill to regulate the salaries of Saginaw county officials.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Herrig,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Bates, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 729, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 6, 19, 23, 24 and 33 of act No. 50 of the public acts of 1887, as amended by act No. 269 of the public acts of 1895, being an act entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations generally known as building and loan associations," and by adding one new section thereto to be known as Sec. 34.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Insurance.

Mr. McGill, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 730, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of an act entitled "An act to reincorporate the village of White Pigeon," being act No. 238 of local acts of the session laws of 1893, approved February 28, 1893.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Village Corporations.

Mr. Colvin, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House joint resolution No. 23, entitled

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to Sec. 1 of article 7 of the Constitution of this State relative to the qualifications of electors.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Elections.

Mr. Atkinson, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House joint resolution No. 24, entitled

A joint resolution for the payment of the commission for the promotion of uniformity of legislation.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Kelly,

The rules were suspended and the House took up the order of

UNFINISHED BUSINESS,

Being the consideration of the following:

WHEREAS, Large sums of money are annually appropriated and used by the various institutions of this State to carry on their running expenses and a large portion of the money being used in the purchasing of supplies, it is apparent that no satisfactory system exists whereby the people and taxpayers of this State are informed as to how purchases are made. It is also charged that in the matter of purchases Michigan people are discriminated against and that higher prices are paid for supplies than would be if a proper system were inaugurated; therefore be it

Resolved by the House (the Senate concurring), That a joint committee be appointed to consist of five members from the House and three members from the Senate to be appointed by the Speaker of the House and President of the Senate for the purpose of investigating the matter of purchases by the various institutions of this State for the past four years; and

Resolved, That the officers and purchasing agents of the various State institutions be and are hereby required to give full information on any matter pertaining to purchase by them that may be required by the committee; and

Resolved, That the committee be authorized to send for persons and papers;

The consideration of which had been interrupted by the adjournment on yesterday.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution.

Mr. Kelly demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded, and

Pending the calling of the roll,

On motion of Mr. Adams,

The resolutions were laid on the table.

Mr. Eickhoff, by unanimous consent, offered the following:

Resolved, That the Auditor General is hereby instructed to furnish to the committee on Labor a statement of the amount of money that has been appropriated to the State Prison, Ionia House of Correction, Marquette Prison, and the amount of money paid for the board of State pris-

oners to the Detroit House of Correction from the date of establishment of the aforesaid institutions to the present time.

On motion of Mr. Wetherbee,

The resolution was laid on the table.

Mr. Davis, by unanimous consent, offered the following:

Concurrent resolution requesting the Attorney General to proceed against certain gravel and plank road companies or corporations.

WHEREAS, It appears to the satisfaction of the Senate and House of Representatives that a number of gravel and plank road companies of this State have not complied with the provisions of the laws under which they are incorporated; and

WHEREAS, It is believed that by such violation they have forfeited their charters and the right to exact toll: therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That the Attorney General is hereby authorized and instructed to receive all complaints that may be made to him relative to such alleged violations and to make an examination himself; and if, after such hearings and investigations, he is satisfied that such corporations have forfeited their charters and their corporate privileges, and franchises, by neglecting or refusing to comply with the terms of the acts under which they were incorporated, then, and in such case, he, with such assistance or assistants as may be necessary, shall institute such proceedings in the courts of this State as shall be suitable in the premises, and as he shall deem necessary to cause such charters forfeited, and to protect the interests of the people of the State of Michigan. All necessary expenses shall be paid on the presentation of itemized vouchers by warrant of the Auditor General on the State Treasurer on any moneys therein not otherwise appropriated;

Laid over one day under the rules.

Mr. Goodell, by unanimous consent, offered the following:

WHEREAS: The cost of the necessities of life has within the past decade been greatly diminished by depreciation in the price of the product of the toil of the farmer and the mechanic and;

WHEREAS, Our citizens are thereby enabled to purchase a greater proportion of the necessities and luxuries of life at a less expenditure of money than heretofore, therefore be it,

Resolved: That a committee of three be appointed by the Speaker of the House, for the purpose of preparing and submitting for the information of the members of the Legislature a detailed and complete report of the names, employment and salary of every person in the employ of the State whose rate of compensation is equal to or in excess of \$800 per annum, that such report be submitted within 15 days from the date of the appointment of the said committee and that they are hereby authorized to expend not more than \$15 in receiving such information;

Which was adopted.

The Speaker announced the following:

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE.
Lansing, February 20, 1897.

To the House of Representatives:

In the accumulation of business incident to the last days for the introduction of bills it is probable that some requests made by Representatives

have been overlooked. If such is the case, I request that notice of the work desired be sent at once to my office so that all bills may be ready for introduction on Tuesday or Wednesday next.

Respectfully,

Fred A. Maynard,
Attorney General.

The communication was ordered spread on the Journal.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor,

House bill No. 274, entitled

An act to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 377 of the local acts of 1887, entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Sherwood, in Branch county."

For which your committee hold the receipt of the executive office dated February 19, 1897, at 10:16 o'clock a. m.

Geo. E. Gillam,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

On motion of Mr. Lusk,

The House took a recess until 1:30 o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

1:30 o'clock p. m.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

The House resumed the

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Herrig, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 731, entitled

A bill to provide for the retirement of aged and disabled policemen employed by the city of Saginaw, and for the payment of pensions to the wives and children and widowed mothers of policemen killed in the service of the city of Saginaw.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Powers, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 732, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 18, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33 and 34 of act No. 206 of the session laws of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State, and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal act No. 200 of the public acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act, and to add two new sections thereto.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Powers

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Fleischhauer, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 733, entitled

A bill to change school district No. 1, of the township of Evart, Osceola county, Michigan, and take therefrom certain territory and add thereto unorganized territory and form a new district in said township which shall be known as district No. 7.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Fuller, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 734, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 9 of act No. 303 of the public acts of 1887 and the acts amendatory thereof, entitled "An act to protect primary elections and conventions of political parties and to punish offenses committed thereat," approved June 28, 1887, and to add one section thereto to stand as Sec. 10.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Elections.

Mr. Edgar, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 735, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1, of act No. 28 of the public acts of 1887, entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of a game and fish warden and to prescribe his powers and duties."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Lee, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House joint resolution No. 25, entitled

Joint resolution for the issue of a patent for certain primary school land in Lapeer county, to Elizabeth Buby.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

The House resumed the regular order.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 19, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 601, entitled

A bill to appoint an assistant prosecuting attorney for Kalamazoo county;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,
Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 19, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 336, entitled

A bill to reincorporate the city of Ironwood, in the county of Gogebic, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,
Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

NOTICES.

Mr. Fuller gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend act No. 215 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of cities of the fourth class."

Mr. F. Shepherd gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend act No. 333 of the local acts of 1889, entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Cheboygan," and to repeal an act entitled "An

act to incorporate the village of Cheboygan in the county of Cheboygan," approved March 27, 1877, as amended by act No. 202 of the local acts of 1891, and act No. 359 of the local acts of 1895.

Mr. Billings gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to detach certain territory from the township of Negaunee, Marquette county, and attach the same to the township of Richmond in same county.

Mr. Atkinson gave notice that at some future day he would leave to introduce

A bill to abolish the recorder's court of the city of Detroit.

Mr. Clute moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of

House bill No. 248 (file No. 69), entitled

A bill authorizing the incorporation of homes for aged, infirm or indigent men or women,

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Clute

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill having been read a third time and the question being upon its passage, pending the taking of the vote thereon,

Mr. F. Shepherd moved to amend the bill by inserting after the word "term" in line 21, Sec. 2, the words "*Provided*, That the directors of any such association that may be located in the county of Calhoun, shall be chosen by the board of directors at its annual meeting for the term and subject to the approval of the Governor as herein provided; and,"

Which motion prevailed.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Fleischhauer	Mr. Oberdorffer
Allison	Foote	O'Dett
Alward	Fuller	Pearson
Anderson	Gibson	Perry
Babcock, H.	Gillam	Peters
Bemis	Goodell	Powers
Billings	Goodyear	Putney
Bricker	Graham	Scully
Bryan	Green	Shepard, F. M.
Buskirk	Hammond	Shepherd, F.
Cahoon	Harris	Smith
Clark	Herrig	Stewart
Clute	Hofmeister	Stoneman
Coad	January	Tefft
Colvin	Kelly	Vought
Cousins	Lee	Weier
Crippen	Lusk	Wetherbee
Dickinson, J. H.	Madill	Williams

Mr. Dickinson, L. D.	Mr. Mayer	Mr. Wing
Donovan	Molster	Zimmerman
Edgar	Moore, E. W.	Speaker
Eikhoff	Niedermeler	

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Title agreed to.

Mr. Graham moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of

House bill No. 64 (file No. 3), entitled

A bill to create a board of commissioners for the purpose of securing for use in the common or primary schools of the State of Michigan a uniform series of text books, to fix the maximum price to be charged for said books and to make an appropriation for carrying out the provisions of this act.

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Graham,

The bill was referred to the committee on Education and State Affairs jointly.

Mr. Lusk moved that the House go into committee of the whole on the general order,

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Adam moved that the House adjourn,

Which motion prevailed, and

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until 9 o'clock p. m., on Tuesday next.

Lansing, Tuesday, February 23, 1897.

The House met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. Allison, Atkinson, Bricker, Colvin, Connors, Davis, J. H. Dickinson, Fleischhauer, Foote, Gustin, Harris, Lee, Marsilje, McGill, Miller, E. W. Moore, Pearson, Peek, Peters, Putney, Savage, Vought, Washer.

On motion of Mr. Gillam,

Leave of absence was granted to all absentees for the day.

Mr. Graham offered the following:

Resolved, That the order of business be suspended for tonight's session except notices and introduction of bills;

Which was adopted, two-thirds of the members present voting therefor.

NOTICES

Mr. Weier gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the collection of municipal taxes, and taxes for the support of the public schools in the city of Monroe, in the month of July in each year.

Mr. Clute gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Coldwater.

Mr. M. F. Phillips gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to revise and the amend the charter of fourth class cities.

Mr. Tefft gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the city of Jackson to provide for and maintain an electric lighting plant.

Mr. F. Shepherd gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to alter the boundaries of the township of Waverly in Cheboygan county.

Mr. Mayer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Mason.

Mr. Mayer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Leslie.

Mr. Mayer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Williamston.

Mr. Clute gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to tax real estate mortgages.

Mr. Whitney gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to repeal the charter of the city of North Muskegon, Muskegon county.

Mr. Whitney gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to legalize the assessment and tax rolls of the city of North Muskegon, county of Muskegon, for the years 1895 and 1896.

Mr. Anderson gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Secs. 2 and 3 of an act entitled "An act relative to free schools in the city of Grand Rapids."

Mr. Donovan gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the union school district of Bay City to convey certain lands to the city of Bay City.

Mr. Donovan gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the county of Bay to provide for a board of auditors and to fix their compensation and define their duties.

Mr. Oberdorffer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the city of Menominee to borrow money and issue bonds therefor.

Mr. Oberdorffer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for three voting precincts in the township of Stephenson, county of Menominee.

Mr. Oberdorffer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the city of Menominee to re-assess certain sewer taxes that have been or hereafter may be adjudged invalid.

Mr. Oberdorffer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the city of Menominee to re-assess certain paving taxes that have been or hereafter may be adjudged invalid.

Mr. Oberdorffer gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill for the purpose of legalizing the assessment of certain taxes in the township of Stephenson, county of Menominee.

Mr. L. D. Dickinson gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 8 of act No. 313 of the session laws of 1881, relative to saloon bonds.

Mr. Herrig gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend act No. 262 of the public acts of 1895, being an act entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of mutual fire insurance companies, limited, and defining their powers and duties," approved June 4, 1895, by adding a new section thereto to stand as Sec. 16.

Mr. Gillam gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to legalize the spearing of whitefish, grass pike and mullet in Higgins' Lake, Roscommon county.

Mr. Gillam gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to make the 12th day of February, or Lincoln's birthday, a legal holiday.

Mr. Gillam gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to constitute the president of the village of Roscommon a member of the board of supervisors of the county of Roscommon.

Mr. Gillam gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to organize the township of Foster, Ogemaw county, into a union school district.

Mr. Stewart gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to repeal an act creating board of health of the city of Detroit.

Mr. Stewart gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend school board act, city of Detroit.

Mr. Stewart gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend school board act, city of Detroit.

Mr. January gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Sec. 11 of an act entitled "An act supplemental to the charter of the city of Detroit, and relating to parks and boulevards and other public grounds in said city, and to repeal acts 374 of the local acts of 1879.

Mr. Kelly gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to revise and amend the charter of the city of Muskegon, and to repeal all conflicting acts relating thereto.

Mr. Billings gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to reduce the number of wards in the cities of Ishpeming, Negaunee and Marquette, and to define the boundaries thereof.

Mr. Campbell gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Ypsilanti.

Mr. Gillam gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to detach certain territory from the township of Clement, in Gladwin county, State of Michigan, and to organize the township of Bonnet, in said county.

Mr. Lusk (by request) gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to revise and amend the charter of the city of Bay City and to define and enlarge the boundaries of said city so as to include the city of West Bay City and the village of Essexville; to provide for the assuming and payment of the indebtedness and liabilities of the present cities of Bay City and West Bay City and the village of Essexville, and for the ownership of all their corporate property and rights and to define the corporate rights, powers and privileges of said city of Bay City, and to repeal all acts inconsistent herewith.

Mr. Zimmerman gave notice that at some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Marine City.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Goodyear, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 736, entitled

A bill to authorize the Michigan Dairymen's Association to hold a State institute, and to give instructions to the citizens of this State in the various branches of dairying, and making an appropriation therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Mr. Mayer, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 737, entitled

A bill to revise and amend the charter of the city of Lansing.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Mayer,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Mayer, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 738, entitled

A bill making certain property subject to execution.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Mayer, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 739, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 22 of act No. 125 of the public acts of the State of Michigan of A. D. 1895, entitled "An act to reorganize the 7th judicial circuit and the 13th judicial circuit, and to designate the places of holding court therein, and to create the 35th judicial circuit and for the employment, duties and compensation of a stenographer of said 35th judicial circuit."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Adams, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 740, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 1, 2 and 3, and to repeal Sec. 7, of Chap. 140, of the revised statutes of 1846, entitled "Limitation of personal actions," being Secs. 8713, 8714, 8715 and 8719 in Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Adams, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 741, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 86 of the public acts of 1885, entitled "An act to amend Sec. 2 of Chap. 138 of the revised statutes of 1846, relative to writs of error and certiorari, being Sec. 8679 of Howell's annotated statutes."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Adams, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 742, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 29 of act No. 178 of the public acts of 1895, the same being Sec. 8085 of Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Adams, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 743, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 28 of act No. 175 of the session laws of 1895, entitled "An act to amend Sec. 25 of act 137 of the laws of 1849, relative to authorizing proceedings against garnishees and for other purposes, and to add a new section thereto to stand as Sec. 28," the same being Sec. 8057a of Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Adams, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 744, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 276 of the public acts of 1887, entitled "An act to require security to be given on staying proceedings upon verdicts and judgments in the circuit courts of this State," as amended by act No. 36 of the public acts of 1889.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Adams, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 745, entitled

A bill to amend subdivision 8 of Sec. 27 of Chap. 106 of the revised statutes of 1846, as amended by act 185 of the session laws of 1849, and as amended by act 156 of the session laws of 1863, being subdivision 8 of Sec. 7686 of Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Adams, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 746, entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of commercial, mercantile, collection and reporting agencies.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Graham, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 747, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 206, session laws of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied, making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening the provisions of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Graham,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Graham, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 748, entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of the debts of minors, insane persons, mentally incompetent people and to amend Chap. 240 of Howell's annotated statutes to stand as Sec. 21½ of said Chap. and Sec. 6322a of said Howell's statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Graham, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 749, entitled

A bill to aid the Michigan State Agricultural Society in sustaining its annual fair for the promotion of agriculture and its kindred arts.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Mr. Graham, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 750, entitled

A bill to regulate the practice of veterinary medicine and surgery in the State of Michigan and to provide for a compulsory registration law.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Stewart, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 751, entitled

A bill to provide for the election and appointment of commissioners of education in the city of Detroit, to prescribe their powers and duties, and to repeal all conflicting acts.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Stewart,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Stoneman, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 752, entitled

A bill to provide for the establishment of an excise commission of the State of Michigan to exercise supervisory control over the issuance of licenses in the business of manufacturing, selling, keeping for sale, spirituous and intoxicating liquors and malt, brewed or fermented liquors, or vinous liquors in the State of Michigan and to define the powers of such commission.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Stoneman, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 753, entitled

A bill authorizing the appointment of a State tax commission and defining its duties.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. F. M. Shepard, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 754, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the union school district, of the city of Owosso, and attach the same to fractional school district No. 4, of the townships of Owosso and Caldonia.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. F. M. Shepard,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Fuller, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 755, entitled

A bill relating to the regulation of trade and commerce in the State of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Fuller, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 756, entitled

A bill to organize the county of Grand Marais.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Fuller, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 757, entitled

A bill to detach from the county of Delta, the townships of Sack Bay, Fairbanks and Garden, and the territory thereof as now constituted, and attach the same to the county of Schoolcraft, in the State of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Fuller, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 758, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 56 of the session laws of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the purchase and display of United States flags in connection with the public school buildings within this State," approved April 4, 1895, and to add a new section to said act to stand as Sec. 2.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Fuller, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 759, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 195 of the public acts of 1893, entitled "An act to prescribe the duties of telegraph companies, incorporated either within or without this State, relative to the transmission of messages, and to provide for the recovery of damages for negligence in the performance of such duties," approved June 1, 1893.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Donovan, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 760, entitled

A bill to authorize the Secretary of State to charge fees in certain cases, to prescribe the amount of said fees, to provide for their transfer to the State Treasury, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts contravening with the provisions of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Donovan,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Donovan, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 761, entitled

A bill to revise and amend an act entitled "An act to reorganize the union school district of Bay City," approved March 20, 1867, and the acts amendatory and revisionary thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Donovan,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Hammond, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 762, entitled

A bill to authorize the trustees of the Eastern Michigan Asylum to purchase land.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Eastern Asylum for Insane.

Mr. Hammond, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 763, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 50 of the public acts of 1887, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations generally known as building and loan associations," by adding one new section thereto to be known as Sec. 34.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Insurance.

Mr. Hammond, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 764, entitled

A bill to amend the title to act No. 285 of the session laws of 1887, so the same will read as follows: "An act to regulate the manner in which insurance companies not organized under the laws of this State, but doing business within it, shall transact business, and to provide for penalties for violation thereof," and to re-enact the following sections, viz.:

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Insurance.

Mr. F. Shepherd, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 765, entitled

A bill to define the policy of the State concerning the existing normal schools and those that may be hereafter established.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. F. Shepherd, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 766, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 63 of act No. 206 of the public acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied, making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased, and to repeal act No. 200 of the public acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening the provisions of this act."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. F. Shepherd, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 767, entitled

A bill to authorize the treasurer of any county and the Auditor General to accept payment of the taxes and charges of an undivided or other part of delinquent real property assessed in one description.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. F. Shepherd, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 768, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 7104 of the compiled laws of 1871, as amended by act No. 159 of the public acts of 1871, approved April 15, 1871, being compiler's Sec. 8663 of Howell's annotated statutes, entitled "Writs of mandamus and prohibition."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. F. Shepherd, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 769, entitled

A bill to amend Chap. 8 by adding thereto three new sections to stand as Secs. 21, 22 and 23 of act No. 333 of the session laws of 1889, entitled "An act to re-incorporate the village of Cheboygan in the county of Cheboygan, approved March 27, 1877," approved March 13, 1889.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Hammond, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 770, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 215 of the session laws of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of cities of the fourth class," approved May 27, 1895, by adding thereto 17 sections to be known as Chap. 34 of said act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Tefft, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 771, entitled

A bill to provide for quieting and establishing the title of certain lands in the city of Jackson, known as the Jackson County Fair Grounds.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Tefft,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Tefft, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 772, entitled

A bill to repeal Sec. 3 of Chap. 10 of title 9 of the compiled laws, relating to highways, being compiler's Sec. No. 1410 of Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Mr. Tefft, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 773, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 5, of Chap. 2, of an act entitled "An act to revise and consolidate the laws relating to the establishment, opening, improvement and maintenance of highways, etc., approved June 8, 1881, as amended, being compiler's Sec. No. 1329, appendix to Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Mr. Tefft, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 774, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of Chap. 3 of an act, entitled "An act to provide for the construction and maintenance of drains, and the assessment and collection of taxes therefor, and to repeal all other laws relative thereto," as amended by act No. 217 of the public acts of 1895.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Drainage.

Mr. Clute, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 775, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 10, 11, 12, 13, of Chap. 30, and Secs. 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15 and 16 of Chap. 31 of an act entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of cities of the fourth class," approved May 27, 1895, and to add seven new sections to said Chap. 31, to be known as Secs. 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26 and 27.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Shisler, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 776, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 29 of Chap. 96 of Howell's annotated statutes, being compiler's Sec. 3624, relative to plank road companies.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. O'Dett, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 777, entitled

A bill to provide that no person shall be elected to any county or township office for more than two consecutive terms.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. O'Dett, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 778, entitled

A bill to allow the village of Yale, in the county of St. Clair, and State of Michigan, to borrow money and issue bonds in the sum of 10 per cent of the assessed valuation of said village, as shown by the last preceding tax roll, to be used exclusively for the purpose of purchasing, constructing and maintaining water works, as provided for in act No. 3 of the session laws of 1895.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Sawyer, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 779, entitled

A bill to provide for the compensation of justices of the peace.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Sawyer, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 780, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 9 of Chap. 84 of the revised statutes of 1846, entitled "Of divorce," and being Sec. 6231 of Howell's statutes of Michigan, as amended by act No. 202 of the session laws of 1895, relating to divorce.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Sawyer, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 781, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 5431 and 5432 of the compiled laws of 1871, being Secs. 6998 and 6999 of Howell's annotated statutes of 1882, relative to appeals from courts held by justices of the peace.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Sawyer, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 782, entitled

A bill to protect the lives and property of persons at the crossings of railroads and public highways, within the State of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Railroads.

Mr. Sawyer, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 783, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 9, 11, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 41, 59, 127 and 136 of act No. 206 of the public acts of 1893.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Edgar, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 784, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 9 of act No. 313 of the public acts of 1887, entitled "An act to provide for the taxation and regulation of the business of manufacturing, selling, keeping for sale, furnishing, giving or delivering spirituous and intoxicating liquors, and malt, brewed or fermented liquors and vinous liquors in this State, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Molster, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 785, entitled

A bill to provide for the economical use and disposal of the products of the several benevolent, penal and reformatory institutions of the State of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Molster,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Molster, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 786, entitled

A bill to require street railway companies, or persons operating electric cars, cable or other cars propelled by steam, cable or electricity, to protect passengers riding on said cars from personal injuries.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Molster,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Kimmis, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 787, entitled

A bill to authorize the village of Holly in the county of Oakland to issue bonds.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Kimmis,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Kimmis, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 788, entitled

A bill to revise, amend and consolidate the laws for the incorporation of ecclesiastical bodies.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Kimmis,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Kimmis, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 789, entitled

A bill to provide for the creation of the office of county abstractor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Kimmis,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Stewart, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 790, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 15 of an act to provide for the formation of street railway companies, approved March 5, 1867, being Sec. 2516 of the compiled laws of 1871, same being Sec. 3550 of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Stewart, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 791, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 9 of an act entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of railroad companies and to regulate the

running and management and to fix the duties and liabilities for all railroad and other corporations owning or operating any railroad in this State," approved May 1, 1873, as amended, the same being Sec. 2232 of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Railroads.

Mr. C. G. Babcock, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 792, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of act No. 167 of the public acts of 1883, entitled "An act to promote public health," as amended by act No. 268 of the public acts of 1887, and to add a new section to said act to stand as Sec. 8.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. C. G. Babcock,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Scully, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 793, entitled

A bill to provide for reporting all mortgages by the several registers of deeds of the State to the supervisors and assessing officers of their respective counties and the registers of deeds of other counties wherein the mortgagee resides, for assessment purposes, and providing blank books therefor; also prescribing the duties of registers of deeds relative to the recording of mortgages.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Scully, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 794, entitled

A bill to provide for the employment of convicts in the State House of Correction and Reformatory at Ionia, by the construction of a road over the flats and across the Grand river to facilitate the passage between the lands owned by the State of Michigan, and occupied by the State House of Correction and Reformatory at Ionia and the lands occupied by the Michigan Asylum for the Dangerous and Criminal Insane, and to appropriate money to carry into effect the provisions of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State House of Correction.

Mr. Crippen, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 795, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of act No. 176 of the public acts of 1891, as amended by act No. 104 of the public acts of 1893.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Crippen,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Crippen, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 796, entitled

A bill to authorize the county of Dickinson, in conjunction with the proper authorities of Wisconsin, to build and maintain a bridge across the Menominee river.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Crippen, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 797, entitled

A bill to repeal act No. 311 of the local acts of the State of Michigan, approved March 23, 1893, and entitled "An act providing for two voting precincts for the township of Waucedah, in the county of Dickinson, defining the limits thereof, providing for a new registration of the votes thereof, and determining who shall be the inspectors of election, and members of the board of registration therein."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Elections.

Mr. Gillam, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 798, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 5 of act No. 198 of the public acts of 1877 as amended by act No. 283 of the public acts of 1881, being compiler's Sec. 2127 Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Mr. Van Camp, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 799, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 1, 2 and 3 of Chap. 3 of the public acts of 1885, entitled "An act to provide for the construction and maintenance of drains, and the assessment and collection of taxes therefor, and to repeal all other laws relative thereto."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Van Camp,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Oberdorffer, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 800, entitled

A bill for the purpose of authorizing the formation of corporations for the purpose of improving the navigation and water power of any river, which forms in whole or in part the boundary between this and any adjoining State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Oberdorffer, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 801, entitled

A bill to vacate the town of Ingallston in the county of Menominee and to incorporate its territory within the adjoining townships of Mellen, Menominee and Cedarville, in Menominee county, and to provide for the disposition of all credits and debts now existing in said township of Ingallston.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Stewart, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 802, entitled

A bill to repeal act No. 233 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to amend act No. 196 of the public acts of 1893, entitled 'An act to regulate the possession, use, transportation and sale of fish and game,' by adding a new section thereto, to be known as Sec. 5a."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Stewart, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 803, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 14 of an act entitled "An act relative to free schools in the city of Detroit," approved February 24, 1869, and as amended March 28, 1873, March 11, 1881, June 8, 1883, and May 23, 1893.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Stewart, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 804, entitled

A bill to provide for the registration of physicians and surgeons and to protect the people of the State of Michigan from empiricism and quackery, and to repeal act No. 167 of the session laws of 1883, entitled "An act to promote public health," approved June 6, 1883, and an act amendatory thereto, approved June 27, 1887.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Public Health.

Mr. Wetherbee, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 805, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act relative to free schools in the city of Detroit," the same being act No. 233 of the session laws of 1869, and the acts amendatory thereof, and to add thereto six sections, intending hereby among other things to provide for the reorganization of the board of education of the city of Detroit.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Wetherbee, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 806, entitled

A bill to provide for the dismissal of members of the metropolitan police of the city of Detroit for inefficiency.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Wetherbee, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 807, entitled

A bill relative to "The Industrial Home for Discharged Prisoners," and making an appropriation therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Wetherbee, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 808, entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of companies or associations having for their object the insurance of bicycles, and to define their powers and duties.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Insurance.

Mr. Wetherbee, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 809, entitled

A bill to regulate primary elections and political nominations and to punish offenses committed in relation thereto, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Elections.

Mr. Wetherbee, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 810, entitled

A bill to permit sureties on bonds given by executors, administrators, guardians or trustees, in any probate court of this State, to appear in such court in support of or in opposition to the allowance of the accounts of such executor, administrator, guardian or trustee, and to appeal from the final decree of such court thereon.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Wetherbee, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 811, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 107 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for recording in the offices of the register of deeds certified copies of judgments and decrees of courts of record and making the record thereof evidence in courts and making such records heretofore made like evidence."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Wetherbee, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 812, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 221 of the session laws of 1865, entitled "An act requiring judges of probate in certain cases to give notice to foreign consuls of an application for administration in the estate of deceased persons," approved March 18, 1865, as amended by the acts amendatory thereof, the same being Sec. 6812 of Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Wetherbee, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 813, entitled

A bill to provide for placing and keeping on the retired list, or reduced pay, members of the metropolitan police force of the city of Detroit, who shall have become disabled and incapacitated while in the active performance of official duty, and to repeal act No. 372 of the local acts of Michigan of the year 1883, entitled "An act to provide for placing on the retired list, on reduced pay, members of the metropolitan police force of the city of Detroit, who shall have become disabled and incapacitated while in the active performance of official duty, and member of said force and persons in the employ of the police board of city of Detroit, who after twenty-five years of faithful continuous service, shall have become permanently incapacitated from performing regular active duty," and all acts amendatory thereto.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Wetherbee, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 814, entitled

A bill relating to the designation of depositories of public moneys and regulating the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Wetherbee, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 815, entitled

A bill to regulate the depositing of moneys by county treasurers and the holding and custody thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Wetherbee, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 816, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 8 of act No. 266 of the public acts of 1895, being an act entitled "An act relative to bonds and other obligations with surety and sureties, and the acceptance of surety thereon of such companies qualified to act as such, and the release of such surety, and the safe depositing of assets for which the surety may be liable and to the charging by fiduciaries of the expense of procuring sureties, and repealing all laws in conflict therewith.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Weier, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 817, entitled

A bill to provide for the re-assessment and collection of certain drain taxes on the Swamp Raisin Drain, which drain is situated in the counties of Monroe and Lenawee.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Drainage.

Mr. Weier, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 818, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 1, 10, 12 and 13 of Chap. 30 and Secs. 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 of Chap. 31, and Sec. 15 of Chap. 32 of act No. 215 of the public acts of the year 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of cities of the fourth class."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Donovan, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 819, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 4 of act No. 113 of the public acts of 1877, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of companies for mining, smelting and manufacturing iron, copper, silver, mineral coal, and other ores or minerals, and to fix the duties and liabilities of such corporations," being Sec. 4070 of Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Donovan, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 820, entitled

A bill to provide for the taxation of bachelors.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Donovan, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 821, entitled

A bill to authorize the organization of corporations for the doing of any lawful act or acts, and for defining their powers and duties.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Donovan, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 822, entitled

A bill to provide for the issue and sale of an interchangeable and redeemable system of mileage by all persons, companies or corporations operating steam railroads in the State of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Railroads.

Mr. Donovan, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 823, entitled

A bill to authorize the common council of Bay City to borrow money for the construction, repair and maintenance of a bridge across the Saginaw river within the Bay county district.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Donovan, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 824, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of Chap. 1 of local act No. 306, approved April 29, 1891, entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Pinconning, and to repeal act No. 528 (523) of the local acts of the legislature of this State for the year 1887, entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Pinconning, in Bay county, Michigan."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Village Corporations.

Mr. Donovan, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 825, entitled

A bill to provide for the payment on demand in lawful money of the United States of all indebtedness for work and labor actually performed.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Labor.

Mr. Donovan, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 826, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 11 of Chap. 140 of the revised statutes of 1857, being compiler's Sec. 7996, Howell's annotated statutes, relative to filing copy of attachment in the office of the register of deeds.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Otis, unanimous consent being given, introduced.

House bill No. 827, entitled

A bill to amend Chap. 249 of the compiled laws of 1871, being Chap. 322 of Howell's annotated statutes, and acts amendatory thereof, relative to offenses against chastity, marolity and decency, so as to add one new section thereto, to be known as Sec. 31.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Allison, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 828, entitled

A bill to define the terms "sickness dangerous to public health" and "disease dangerous to public health" employed in Secs. 1674, 1675, 1676 of Howell's annotated statutes, Sec. 1 of act 137 of the public acts of 1883, and elsewhere in the laws of Michigan, and to provide for the publication of a list of said diseases.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Public Health.

Mr. January, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 829, entitled

A bill to provide for the docketing of civil cases and proceedings in circuit courts, and to repeal compiler's Secs. 7016 and 7017, Chap. 249, and Secs. 7551 and 7552, Chap. 262, and Sec. 8340, Ohap. 288, and Sec. 8983, Ohap. 312, of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan, Vol. 3, and all acts and parts of acts contravening this (act) bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Stoneman, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 830, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 49 of Chap. 2 of act No. 468 of the local acts of 1895, entitled "An act to amend and revise Chaps. 1 and 2 of an act, entitled 'An act to provide a charter for the city of Detroit, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith,'" approved June 7, 1893.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Stoneman,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill having been read a third time and the question being upon its passage, pending the taking of the vote thereon,

Mr. Petrowsky moved that the bill be referred to the committee on City Corporations;

Which motion did not prevail.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Edgar	Mr. Perry
Alward	Eikhoff	Phillips, C. C.
Anderson	Fuller	Reed
Babcock, C. G.	Gibson	Sawyer
Belknap	Gillam	Scully

Mr. Bemis
 Billings
 Buskirk
 Cahoon
 Caldwell
 Camburn
 Campbell
 Clark
 Clute
 Coad
 Cousins
 Crippen
 Dickinson, L. D.
 Donovan
 Dudley

Mr. Goodyear
 Graham
 Hammond
 Hofmeister
 Jackson
 January
 Kelly
 Kimmis
 Lusk
 Mayer
 Molster
 Niedermeier
 Oberdorffer
 O'Dett
 Otis

Mr. Shepard, F. M.
 Shepherd, F.
 Shisler
 Smith
 Stewart
 Stoneman
 Tefft
 Van Camp
 Weier
 Wetherbee
 Whitney
 Widoe
 Zimmerman
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NAYS.

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Title agreed to.

Mr. Dudley, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House joint resolution No. 26, entitled

Joint resolution authorizing the Commissioner of the State Land Office to revive part paid primary school land certificate No. 9976, issued to Edgar O. Whitman, of Newaygo county, June 10, 1869, and authorizing the Commissioner of the State Land Office to issue a duplicate certificate to said Edgar O. Whitman, numbered 9976.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Public Lands.

Mr. Powers, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House joint resolution No. 27, entitled

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to Sec. 8 of Art. 13 of the constitution of this State relative to the board of regents of the University and their powers.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on University.

Mr. Donovan, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House joint resolution No. 28, entitled

Joint resolution to amend Sec. 10 of Art. 10 of the constitution of the State of Michigan, so as to provide for a board of county auditors for the county of Bay.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

By unanimous consent:

No. 216. Mr. Sawyer offered the following petition:

On demand of Mr. Sawyer,

The petition was read at length and spread at large on the Journal, as follows:

To the Honorable Legislature of the State of Michigan:

We, the undersigned citizens of Saline, Washtenaw county, Michigan, would most respectfully ask that your honorable body would repeal act No. 85, public acts of 1887, relative to hawkers and peddlers.

L. M. Thorn.
A. M. Humphrey.
C. H. Conklin.
L. Sturm.
D. Nissh.
H. Bartlett.
Geo. Burnhart.
John Gillen.

E. C. Hill.
E. W. Ford.
F. D. Ford.
Fred Henne.
M. Schittenhelm.
E. W. Wallace.
Frank E. Jones.

Referred to committee on State Affairs.

On motion of Mr. Sawyer,
The House adjourned.

Lansing, Wednesday, February 24, 1897.

The House met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Miller.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. Bates, Davis, Fleischhauer, Lee, Miller, Peters, Savage, Stewart and Washer.

On motion of Mr. Kimmis,

Leave of absence was granted to all absentees.

On motion of Mr. Lusk,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Washer indefinitely on account of sickness.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 217. By Mr. Chamberlain: Petition of Prof. L. L. Wright and 21 other citizens of Gogebic county, asking the defeat of the measure for the formation of a corporation with permission to place a dam across the outlet of Thousand Island Lake, in Gogebic county.

Referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

No. 218. By Mr. Connors: Petition of Andrew Storm and 37 other citizens asking that Portage township be detached from Mackinac county and attached to Luce county.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 219. By Mr. Chamberlain: Memorial of the board of supervisors of Keweenaw county, asking for the passage of the bill annexing Isle Royale to Keweenaw county.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 220. By Mr. Chamberlain: Petition of W. C. T. U., school principal, Wesleyan Guild, Bible chorus, Epworth League, and ministers of Ann Arbor churches praying for the passage of the anti-cigarette bill.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 221. By Mr. Sawyer: Communication from Dr. Victor C. Vaughan, relative to the University Hospital.

On demand of Mr. Sawyer,

The communication was read at length and spread at large on the Journal, as follows:

THE VALUE OF THE UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL TO THE STATE.

The University hospital is one of the most practical of the charitable institutions of this State. This hospital is generally looked upon as merely an adjunct to the medical department. It is true that the patients in the hospital are of great service in the education of medical students, but the hospital has another and possibly a more important relation to the people of the State.

In this hospital, the deserving poor of the State receive skilled aid in various forms of illness. It has been repeated demonstrated that a hospital used for the instruction of students also gives the best services to its patients. The incentive to the medical staff to do the best and to keep everything in a model condition, is increased by the presence of students. Thus, the University hospital serves the double purpose of giving instruction to students and of aiding in the relief of the suffering poor. The present building was first occupied in 1891. It was constructed and equipped at a cost of about \$75,000, of which the people of Ann Arbor contributed about one-third. Ever since it was opened, it has been overcrowded with patients, and the demand for admission has been so great that only a little more than one-half the applicants could be accommodated in the hospital. By overcrowding, nearly 80 patients have been taken care of at one time. The building is so small and inadequate that patients with all kinds of diseases often have to be crowded into the same room. It not infrequently happens that a patient who has just undergone some important operation can find a bed only in the general ward. Desired privacy and needed comfort cannot in all cases be secured. There should be an isolation ward for communicable diseases, for while such cases are not accepted, such diseases may and sometimes do break out among the inmates, and at present there is no provision for their isolation. There should also be a ward for repulsive cases. It cannot conduce to the cure of a nervous patient to have constantly before him a repulsive form of syphilitic disease.

The regents have been so cramped for money that they have felt themselves able to provide only twelve nurses to take care of all the patients. These nurses must do both the day and the night work. The nursing force is wholly inadequate, and should be doubled at least. The rule in the best equipped hospitals is to have one nurse for every three patients, and this gives one nurse to every six patients for day service, and an equal number for night service.

There is no day room for convalescents, and many of these must sit in the ward all day or walk about the narrow halls, getting an insufficient

amount of exercise, air and light. A convalescing room should be built, and this could be done at a cost of not more than three or four thousand dollars. The hospital should be enlarged. There is no doubt that if it contained two hundred beds, all of them would soon be filled.

The regents have also felt compelled to close the hospital for three months of each year for the past two years. This has been rendered necessary by the lack of funds and by the desirability of temporarily vacating and cleaning the building, which, on account of the overcrowding, becomes foul, notwithstanding the most energetic attempts of the small number of attendants to keep everything clean.

The closing of the hospital for three months is a great misfortune. Many most distressing cases have applied for admission when the hospital was closed. A workman was wounded in the eye by a piece of steel, and another had his leg crushed. Telegrams were sent, asking that these be admitted to the hospital, but the only reply that could be made was that the hospital was closed on account of lack of funds. These are only illustrative cases, and they might be multiplied. Is it not the duty of the State to make provision for the care of such cases and be ready at any and all times to supply the sick and injured people with every help? Is it not inhuman to shut the doors of the hospital during one-fourth of each year? An appropriation of three thousand dollars would render this possible, and should this appropriation not be made at once?

The services of the medical staff are given to the hospital without any compensation additional to their University salaries.

It may be of interest to learn something of the class of people who avail themselves of the help afforded by the hospital. The patients are among the most deserving of the poor of the State. Most of them are able to pay the small fee of five dollars per week, charged them by the State for room and board, but they would not be able to pay for medical services. They are, for the most part at least, self-respecting, honest, worthy citizens of the State. Many of them are small taxpayers. Some would soon become inmates of the county houses, were not some means provided for the relief of their ailments. Some are already county charges and are sent by the superintendents of the poor, and for these, the county sending them pays the small fee already mentioned. When, on account of the nature of the trouble, a private room and a special nurse are required, the charge is necessarily greater; but, as has already been stated, the crowded condition of the hospital often renders the securing of a private room impossible. It should be stated in this connection that whether a patient has a private room or occupies a bed in the general ward is determined by the nature of the illness and not by the ability of willingness of the person or his friends to pay the greater fees.

The hospital is for the poor, not for the rich, and the governing body takes care that in this respect the object of the institution is attained. A large per cent of these patients leave the hospital cured or greatly improved. Many of those who, without skilled medical attention, would soon have become county charges, go home sufficiently improved to make their living and to take care of dependent members of their families. It is also true that many of those who are sent to the hospital as county charges go home able to support themselves. They retain their self-

respect. They are removed from the pauper class, and good is done, not only to them, but to the communities in which they live. It is from the very nature of the case quite impossible to compute with any exactness the value in dollars to the citizens of the State of the work done in the hospital.

Some general statements may be made concerning the work done in the University hospital. During the five years ended July 1, 1896, 7,497 patients were treated. Of these, 6,235 have come from the smaller towns and farming communities. This shows that those who are not within easy access of skilled physicians and who cannot go to city hospitals, are the ones who are most largely benefitted by this hospital. Indeed, it may be said that the hospital is of the greatest benefit to the small farmer and to the day laborer from rural districts. These are the ones most in need of skilled medical help, and this need is supplied by the University hospital to the extent permitted by the very limited and inadequate revenues in the hands of the Board of Regents for that purpose.

During the past five years, 323 cataracts have been removed, and in more than 98 per cent of these sight was restored. Is it not worth something to the State to have more than 300 eyes restored to sight? If the sight of an eye is worth \$500, this operation has alone within the past five years paid for the entire building and equipments twice. Besides the removal of the cataracts, 3,668 other operations have been made upon the eye during the past five years.

More than 1,600 patients have been treated by the professor of surgery. About 800 operations have been performed, and at least 250 of these have been capital, i. e., when life depended upon the operation. Of these, more than 225 have been successful. If each life is worth to the State \$1,000, the surgical clinic in its capital operations alone has paid for the entire hospital plant three times.

A large number of deformed children have been fitted to make their living by the cure of club foot and other malformations. Many who were incapacitated for work by the existence of grave hernias have been cured by radical operations, after which they are able to return to the productive class. Others with strangulated hernias, threatening immediate death, have been saved by operation. Many tubercular joints have been cured. Epileptics have been rendered producers instead of being consumers only. Men invalided from the results of bad stricture, cases of stone in the bladder, those with suppurative diseases of the kidney, and the large numbers of men and women unfitted for work and rendered miserable by rectal diseases, such as fissures, hemorrhoids, fistula and stricture, have been cured or at least rendered capable of maintaining themselves and families for prolonged periods, instead of becoming charges upon the communities in which they live. More than 60 cases of appendicitis have been operated upon, and practically all of them would have died without this surgical aid. The average charge for this operation in private practice is \$500. At this rate, the professor of surgery has rendered to the State by this operation alone \$30,000 worth of surgical skill, in the past five years.

In the department devoted to the diseases of women, 722 cases have been treated, and 97 capital operations have been performed. The last includes the removal of tumors of various descriptions.

I have not taken into consideration the large numbers which have been treated by the professors of internal medicine, nervous diseases, and diseases of the skin. These, while often as important as those mentioned, are not so tangible, and the value of the treatment cannot so easily be computed.

Is not an institution that does this work and accomplishes this good, worthy of the support of the people? The cost to the individual taxpayer is so small that it can hardly be computed. The force of this can be appreciated when we remember that the cost of the maintenance of the whole University, every department included, amounts to only sixteen and two-third cents on every \$1,000 of assessed valuation, and that the man who is assessed on \$10,000 worth of property pays only one and two-thirds dollars annually for the support of the whole University.

There is certainly no other State institution that renders to the people greater service than does the University hospital. Its needs should appeal to both public and private charity. The State should at once assist it in its most pressing necessities, and the individual of wealth can build for himself no more worthy monument than that which might be erected by a contribution for another ward. If to heal the sick and to restore the deformed to the image of God are worthy deeds, then are the needs of this State hospital an opportunity for both the State and the individual to honor themselves.

Victor C. Vaughan.

Referred to the committee on University.

No. 222. By Mr. Otis: Petition of F. S. Raymond and 51 other citizens of Fennville, Allegan county, relative to non-sectarian board of medical registration.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 223. By Mr. Hofmeister: Petition of P. Crawford and 33 other citizens of Denmark, Tuscola county, relative to bills.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 224. By Mr. Lusk: Petition of Geo. W. Randall and 41 other citizens of West Bay City relative to employment of convicts.

Referred to the committee on Labor.

No. 225. By Mr. Williams: Petition of Lt. Col. Strubel and other members of the State military organization relative to a military cycle corps as a part of the Michigan National Guard.

Referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

No. 226. By Mr. Billings: Petition of Dan H. Ball and 272 other citizens of Marquette asking the establishment of a State normal school in the Upper Peninsula.

Referred to the committee on Education.

No. 227. By Mr. Billings: Petition of Federal Labor Union No. 6736, of Negaunee, for the passage of H. B. No. 61.

Referred to the committee on Labor.

No. 228. By Mr. F. M. Shepard: Petition of P. A. Wachs and 108 other citizens relative to the county salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 229. By Mr. Eikhoff: Petition of 200 citizens of Detroit relative to prison labor.

Referred to the committee on Labor.

No. 230. By Mr. Eikhoff: Petition of 53 citizens of Detroit relative to prison labor.

Referred to the committee on Labor.

No. 231. By Mr. Edgar: Petition of E. B. Lee and 20 other citizens of western Lenawee county relative to a non-sectarian board of medical registration.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 232. By Mr. Molster: Petition of 129 citizens of Detroit relative to prison labor.

Referred to the committee on Labor.

No. 233. By Mr. Eikhoff: Resolution of the Social Science Club of Detroit, against the closing of barber shops and photograph galleries on Sundays.

Referred to the committee on City Corporations.

No. 234. By Mr. Crippen: Petition of N. S. Pennock and 213 other citizens of the upper peninsula, asking the passage of the bill for the protection of fur bearing animals.

Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

No. 235. By Mr. H. Babcock: Petition of 24 citizens of Eaton county asking the passage of the anti-cigarette bill.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 236. By Mr. F. Shepherd: Petition of H. T. Calkins and 1 other citizen of Petoskey relative to the bill against quackery.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 237. By Mr. Adams: Petition of L. T. Wilmarth and 115 other citizens of Grand Rapids relative to the Molster bill for the employment of convicts.

Referred to the committee on Labor.

No. 238. By Mr. Adams: Petition of Thomas F. Carroll and 16 other citizens of Grand Rapids relative to the Molster bill for the employment of convicts.

Referred to the committee on Labor.

No. 239. By Mr. F. Shepherd: Petition of Will Z. Searle and 22 other citizens of Petoskey relative to the prevention of quackery.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 240. By Mr. Smith: Petition of Philip Scheuerman and 30 other citizens of Houghton relative to House bill No. 28, restricting the use of bottles.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 241. By Mr. Gillam: Petition of 25 citizens of Antrim county relative to the general fish law.

Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

No. 242. By Mr. Gillam: Remonstrance of taxpayers of Logan township, Ogemaw county, against vacating said township.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 243. By Mr. Gillam: Remonstrance of taxpayers of Mills township, Ogemaw county, against vacating said township.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 244. By Mr. Colvin: Petition of Charles Douglass and 39 other citizens of Saginaw county relative to the payment of costs of election contests.

Referred to the committee on Elections.

No. 245. By Mr. Colvin: Remonstrance of Jacob Armstrong, L. Y. Howell and 56 other citizens of Oakley, Saginaw county, against the passage of House bill No. 669.

Referred to the committee on Education.

No. 246. By Mr. Colvin: Petition of Frederick Nehmer and 35 other citizens of the township of Swan Creek, asking an enabling act under which that township may share with the township of James the cost of maintaining the Merrill bridge.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 247. By Mr. Colvin: Petition of W. B. Rood and 37 other citizens of Saginaw county, relative to amendments to the game law.

Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

No. 248. By Mr. Colvin: Petition of John Wiltse, Jr., and 39 other citizens of Saginaw county, relative to amendments to the game law.

Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

No. 249. By Mr. Colvin: Petition of Charles H. D. Barker and 43 other citizens of Tuscola township, Tuscola county, relative to a change in the boundaries of a school district.

Referred to the committee on Education.

No. 250. By Mr. Colvin: Petition of James B. Adams and 35 other citizens of Saginaw county relative to amendments to the game law.

Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

No. 251. By Mr. McGill: Petition of George F. Sinclair and 127 other citizens of Grand Rapids relative to the employment of convicts.

Referred to the committee on Labor.

No. 252. By Mr. Oberdorffer: Petition of George H. Haggerson and 29 other citizens of Spaulding township, Menominee county, relative to an agricultural experiment station in the upper peninsula.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 253. By Mr. Putney: Petition of E. Meyer, M. D., and 62 other citizens of Carsonville, Sanilac county, relative to the suppression of quackery.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 251. By Mr. Tefft: Petition of the board of supervisors and 1,134 other citizens of Jackson county asking that the board of supervisors be empowered to dispose of the interest of the county in certain lands known as the Fair Grounds, in the city of Jackson.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 255. By Mr. Tefft: Petition of Charles A. Littler and others relative to the "initiative and referendum."

Referred to the committee on Elections.

No. 256. By Mr. Anderson: Petition of Charles R. Sligh and 78 other citizens of Grand Rapids relative to the employment of convicts.

Referred to the committee on Labor.

No. 257. By Mr. Anderson: Petition of Christ Braun and 22 other citizens of Grand Rapids relative to employment of convicts.

Referred to the committee on Labor.

No. 258. By Mr. Allison: Petition of E. F. Carr, C. V. Van Winkle and many other citizens of Livingston county relative to amendments to the drain law.

Referred to the committee on Drainage.

No. 259. By Mr. Foote: Petition of George McDonald, H. G. Coleman, David McDonald and 10 other druggists of Kalamazoo against the passage of the pharmacy bill.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 260. By Mr. Petrowsky: Petition of 18 citizens of Michigan relative to convict labor.

Referred to the committee on Labor.

No. 261. By Mr. Foote: Petition of Tribune Bicycle Club of Kalamazoo relative to transportation of bicycles as baggage.

Referred to committee on Railroads.

No. 262. By Mr. Colvin: Petition of numerous citizens living along Birch Run creek in Saginaw county, asking for an appropriation for the cleaning and deepening of said stream.

Referred to the committee on Drainage.

No. 263. By Mr. Colvin: Petition of Michael Baker and 79 other citizens of Fremont, Saginaw county, asking an enabling act by which Fremont township may share with the township of James in the expense of maintaining the Merrill bridge.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 265. By Mr. Colvin: Petition of Theobald Theiss and 47 other citizens of Fremont, Saginaw county, on the same subject.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor,

Concurrent resolution recommending the appointment of Colonel William R. Shafter as brigadier general;

For which your committee hold the receipt of the Executive office dated February 24, 1897, at 11:38 o'clock a. m.

Geo. E. Gillam,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor,

House bill No. 601, entitled

An act to appoint an assistant prosecuting attorney for Kalamazoo county;

For which your committee hold the receipt of the Executive office dated February 24, 1897, at 11:40 o'clock a. m.

Geo. E. Gillam,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor,

House bill No. 229, entitled

An act to provide for the transfer of money from the contingent fund of Bay county to the general fund of the board of county road commissioners of Bay county;

For which your committee hold the receipt of the Executive office dated February 24, 1897, at 11:40 o'clock a. m.

Geo. E. Gillam,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor,

House bill No. 191, entitled

An act to provide for the continuance of the recompilation and copying of the records in the office of the Adjutant General pertaining to the enlistment, muster, history and final disposition of the soldiers and sailors from this State during the war of the rebellion, and for the publication of a "Roster of Michigan soldiers from 1861 to 1866 inclusive," and to make appropriations therefor;

For which your committee hold the receipt of the Executive office dated February 24, 1897, at 11:40 o'clock a. m.

Geo. E. Gillam,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor,

House bill No. 80, entitled

An act to amend Sec. 2 of an act entitled "An act to organize the union school district of the city of Alpena," approved April 4, 1873, and the acts amendatory thereof;

For which your committee hold the receipt of the Executive office dated February 24, 1897, at 11:38 o'clock a. m.

Geo. E. Gillam,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor,

House bill No. 139, entitled

An act to provide for the printing and distributing of all laws of a public and general character which have been given immediate effect;

For which your committee hold the receipt of the Executive office dated February 24, 1897, at 11:38 o'clock a. m.

Geo. E. Gillam,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor,

Concurrent resolution, entitled

A concurrent resolution commending Senator James McMillan for his efforts to regulate the practice of vivisection in the District of Columbia;

For which your committee hold the receipt of the Executive office dated February 24, 1897, at 11:40 o'clock a. m.

Geo. E. Gillam,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Railroads:

The committee on Railroads, to whom was referred

House bill No. 512, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 3 of an act, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of railroad companies, and to regulate the running and management, and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroads, and other corporations owning or operating any railroad in this State," approved May 1, 1873, being act No. 199, session laws of 1873, as amended by act No. 174 of the public acts of 1883, and act No. 174 of the public acts of 1891, and act No. 129 of the public acts of 1893;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

C. E. Foote,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Foote,

The request was granted, and the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee.

By the committee on Railroads:

The committee on Railroads, to whom was referred

House bill No. 497, entitled

A bill to prohibit the use of snow flangers upon locomotives in this State and to provide a penalty therefor;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

C. E. Foote,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Foote,

The request was granted, and the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee.

By the committee on Railroads:

The committee on Railroads, to whom was referred

House bill No. 529, entitled

A bill to amend subdivision 9 of Sec. 9 of Art. 2 of act No. 198 of the public acts of 1873, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of railroad companies, and to fix and regulate the running and management, and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroads and other corporations owning and operating any railroad in this State;"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

C. E. Foote,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Foote,

The request was granted, and the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee.

By the committee on Railroads:

The committee on Railroads, to whom was referred

House bill No. 548, entitled

A bill to regulate the carrying of passengers by all railway companies, corporations, co-partners or individuals;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

C. E. Foote,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Foote,

The request was granted, and the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee.

By the committee on Railroads:

The committee on Railroads, to whom was referred

House bill No. 686, entitled

A bill to provide for the local taxation of railroads;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

C. E. Foote,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Foote,

The request was granted, and the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee.

By the committee on Railroads:

The committee on Railroads, to whom was referred

House bill No. 594, entitled

A bill for the regulating of freight rates on the railroads in the State of Michigan, and for providing penalties for the violation of the same;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

C. E. Foote,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Foote,

The request was granted, and the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee.

By the committee on Railroads:

The committee on Railroads, to whom was referred

House bill No. 475, entitled

A bill to repeal act No. 42 of the legislature of Michigan, passed at the annual session of 1846, entitled "An act to authorize the sale of the Central Railroad and to incorporate the Michigan Central Railroad Company," approved March 28, 1846, and to designate a board to adjust any claims for damages on account of said repeal, and to authorize the incorporation of said railroad company under the general railroad laws of this State;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

C. E. Foote,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Foote,

The request was granted, and the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee.

By the committee on Railroads:

The committee on Railroads, to whom was referred

House bill No. 791, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 9 of an act entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of railroad companies and to regulate the running and management and to fix the duties and liabilities for all railroad and other corporations owning or operating any railroad in this State," approved May 1, 1873, as amended, the same being Sec. 2232 of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

C. E. Foote,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Foote,

The request was granted, and the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee.

By the committee on Railroads:

The committee on Railroads, to whom was referred

House bill No. 782, entitled

A bill to protect the lives and property of persons at the crossing of railroads and public highways, within the State of Michigan;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

C. E. Foote,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Foote,

The request was granted, and the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee.

By the committee on Railroads:

The committee on Railroads, to whom was referred

House bill No. 822, entitled

A bill to provide for the issue and sale of an interchangeable and redeemable system of mileage by all persons, companies or corporations operating steam railroads in the State of Michigan;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

C. E. Foote,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Foote,

The request was granted, and the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee.

By the committee on School of Mines:

The committee on School of Mines, to whom was referred

House bill No. 345, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 5 and 8 of act No. 70 of the public acts of the legislature of the State of Michigan of the year 1885, entitled "An act to establish and regulate a mining school in the upper peninsula," approved May 1, 1885;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House with amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. N. Kimmis, Jr.,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

By the special committee appointed by the House of Representatives in the matter of the contested election between John Baird and James Kerr.

The undersigned members of the special committee to whom was referred the protest of John Baird, against administering the oath of office to James Kerr, as representative in the State Legislature, and against his admission to a seat in the House of Representatives, respectfully state that they have fully considered such protest, the answer of the respondent, and the testimony taken in the matter, and beg to hereby report as follows:

The said protest alleged that the official vote of the said James Kerr, as certified to by the board of county canvassers of the second legislative district of the county of Saginaw was 2,060 and that the official vote of the contestant was 1,989, showing a majority of 71 in favor of the former.

The protest alleges among other things that the contestant filed a petition in writing with the board of county canvassers of Saginaw county, at their meeting held subsequent to the general election of November 3d, 1896, and more than twenty-four hours before they adjourned, requesting a

recount of the vote for representative in the second legislative district of Saginaw county, and that the board refused to make such recount on the ground that they had no power in the premises.

And it is further alleged by the contestant that there was fraud and illegality in the conduct of the election and in the counting of the votes cast for representative in several of the townships in said district, and claimed that on a proper counting he, the contestant, will be entitled to the certificate of election as representative to the State Legislature from said district.

Specifically, the contestant presented the following claims:

First—That in the township of Birch Run many persons unknown to the contestants who were not members of the board of election inspectors and who had no authority to act at the polls at said election, in said township, remained in the room of said polling place and entered booths with electors and influenced them as to the manner of preparing their ballots. That many electors in said township were instructed at said election how to cast their votes by some of the inspectors of election and their ballots marked by them, and many by the challengers, without said persons being duly sworn that they could not read English, or that, because of physical disability they could not mark their ballots, and that such disability, if any existed, was not made manifest to the inspectors. That many persons voted at said election in said township who were not entitled to vote, not being electors, and that many were allowed to vote who were not registered. That no suitable ballot box with lock and key, having an opening through the lid of size to admit a single closed ballot was provided by the township clerk for the reception of the ballots cast at said election. That a plain box which had been used by grocers for bird seed was used in said township at said election to receive the ballots cast by the electors at said election, that it was not furnished with any lock or key, and that for that reason the box was not examined as provided by section 7, act No. 190 of the laws of 1891, nor the safeguards therein provided against fraud complied with, and for the same reason the safeguards against fraud in case of adjournment could not be and were not carried out. That after the closing of the polls in said township at said election and the counting of the ballots contained in said box by the election inspectors, the ballots were not, for reason above stated, placed in a ballot box, securely sealed, and the instruction given in reference thereto in section 37 of said act No. 190 complied with.

The contestant claiming for the reasons given that the election in said township of Birch Run was entirely illegal and void and that the entire vote cast therein at said election should be rejected.

Second—That in the township of Frankenmuth many votes, to-wit, twenty-two, were cast for the contestant and were not counted for him. That while the returns of said township showed that the contestant received 140 votes in the said township there had actually been cast for him 162, and that Kerr had received but 254 votes in said township.

The undersigned members of your committee further report that at the time of the commencement of taking of testimony by your committee in the city of Saginaw, both parties gave notice that they desired not to be confined to the petition of the contestant which had been presented to the house and published in the legislative Journal of January 6, but that they desired to examine into not only the matters set up in the said petition,

but also the re-counting of the ballots and the manner of conducting the election in several other townships of the district, and that after they had stated their respective claims, which appear in the record, your committee proceeded to the examination of the ballot boxes, their contents, the manner of receiving the votes, the conduct of the board, and others, regarding the election held upon November 3, last, in the townships of Frankenmuth, Birch Run, Buena Vista, Zilwaukee, Spalding, Taymouth, Maple Grove, Albee, Chesaning, Bloomfield, and Bridgeport, which compose the major part of said second legislative district of the county of Saginaw.

The undersigned members of your committee would further report that a large amount of testimony covering 612 type-written pages was taken upon the hearing of this matter in the county of Saginaw, all of which is herewith filed and to which reference is hereby made.

The undersigned members of your committee further report that in the township of Frankenmuth the election returns as made and canvassed by the commissioners show that 140 votes had been cast for Mr. Baird and 264 for Mr. Kerr. Upon a re-count of the ballots in that township your committee found that there was 160 votes cast for Mr. Baird and 247 for Mr. Kerr, making a gain for Mr. Baird of 27 votes. It appeared by the testimony of the officers of the election board in that township that at the election held therein on the 3d of November, 1896, there were many things done in the conduct of the election in that precinct that, in the judgment of the undersigned members of your committee, clearly invalidates the vote of that precinct. Reference is hereby made to the testimony of John Schluckbeir, John M. Liszt, and George L. Roedel, members of the said board. It appeared from the testimony that the board of inspectors were in a room separate from the rooms where the booths were, and that the actions of the board were not open to the view of the public; that access could not be had to that room by any person except the challengers, and the board of election inspectors, and that the ballots were not received in public as provided by statute.

At the request of the parties in interest your committee visited the polling places in the said township of Frankenmuth, on the 28th day of January, and found that the board of election inspectors had sat in an inner room 21½ feet by 10 feet 10 inches, which was separated from the part of the outer room behind a rail in which the booths were situated by a solid partition, through which there was one door, which door, it appears by the testimony of at least one witness, was locked during the time the votes were being received and canvassed; and an opening in the partition designated in the testimony as a window 4½ feet by 22 inches in size, and being 31 inches from the bottom of the opening to the top of the arch in the center, the top of which window was 5 feet and 10 inches from the floor; outside of this room in which the board received votes was another enclosure separated from the so-called town hall by a railing, and in which the booths were located, not opposite of, but to one side of said window. In the outer room, which was separated from the one last mentioned by a railing, your committee found upon the wall a poster, 32 by 21 inches, upon which was printed in large letters the words, "Free silver voters, the Bryan ticket is headed with this silver dollar. If you want to vote for Bryan and Brucker put a cross in a circle underneath the silver dollar, as shown above." And in the center of which was a circle 7 inches in diameter containing a picture

supposedly of the late Mr. Bryan, around which was printed the words, "Democratic-People's Union Silver ticket," and underneath which was a circle containing a cross, which said poster is attached to the testimony herewith filed and marked exhibit "B," as is also a diagram of the town hall of Frankenmuth township already described and which is marked exhibit "A."

The testimony taken relative to the manner of conducting the election in the said Frankenmuth township also discloses that one Christ. Neuchterlein, who was not a member of the board of election inspectors, was designated by the board to instruct electors, and that throughout the day he did instruct a large number of voters, going within the railing at will throughout the whole time the polls were open, and conversed with voters after they had their ballots and before the same were deposited in the ballot box. It also appeared that Neuchterlein was a Democrat in politics and spoke the German language, and that he had an opportunity to talk with, and did talk with the electors continually, both within and without the railing with reference to how they should vote and for whom, and that the electors of this township for the most part spoke the German language.

It further appears that he instructed large numbers of voters and went into the booths with many of them and either marked their tickets or showed them how to mark their tickets, and that none of the voters so assisted were sworn as to their inability to mark their own ballots, and that with the greater majority of them no reason was assigned for their needing assistance nor was it shown that any of them had requested assistance in the marking and preparation of their ballots.

This appears to the undersigned members of your committee to have been a direct violation of sections 21 and 26 of the Public Acts of 1891, which provide that no person shall be allowed to be inside of the railing except to vote or to assist the elector in the preparation of his ballot as thereafter provided, and also prohibits any elector from exposing his ballot, and provides that his ballot shall not be counted if he does expose it to any other person except in the manner provided by the statute. And to the undersigned members of your committee this appears to be parallel with the case of Harwood vs. Stillson, 66 Northwestern Reporter, 388. In the case above cited the court says, that where mandatory provisions are disregarded, if the result would be thereby changed, the voter must sometimes be deprived of his vote, and also that the statute above cited was passed to correct evils of the former system, and the opportunity for bribery and corruption, and that the legislature intended that after its passage ballots should not be prepared by the voter or others before the elector reached the polling place, and that when he reached there he ought not to be annoyed by importunities or more potent influences calculated to prevent or affect his untrammelled action. The court in the above case also says that the possible loss of votes is not the greatest calamity that can follow improperly conducted elections, and that they are not credulous enough to believe that an election board was so ignorant as not to know that the law was transgressed by the course permitted in that case, and that unless they put a premium upon such conduct and invited its repetition throughout the State they must conclude that some of the voters must lose their votes through their offending officers.

And the court adds:

"The readiest way to stop fraud and corruption at election is to see to it that the same is not rewarded by success; and when, by the connivance

and procurement of the election officers the law is in essential particulars disregarded so that candidates and voters lose the benefit of its protective provisions under circumstances well calculated to produce the belief that such conduct may have changed the result from what it otherwise would have been there is a great danger of wrong to the individual voter through counting, as excluding the vote of the precinct."

The reckless conduct of the inspectors of election in this township and the utter disregard of the plain requirements of the law, coupled with the fact that there were twenty votes not counted for the contestant which should have been counted for him, and seven votes counted for the contestee to which he was not entitled, convinces the undersigned members of this committee that this disregard was not a matter of inadvertence, but a willful disregard of the provisions of law, and that the entire vote of this township should be rejected, for the reasons cited above.

It is also disclosed by the testimony that in addition to the misconduct on the part of the election inspectors of the board of Frankenmuth township, that they did not permit the voters to see their ballots deposited in the box as the statute requires they should; neither did the board count the ballots in public, which the law also requires.

See section 26 of act No. 190, session laws of 1891, as amended by act No. 202, session laws of 1893, page 330, and section 36 of act No. 190, session laws of 1891, page 268.

The election returns from the township of Birch Run from the said legislative district showed that 174 votes had been counted for Mr. Baird and 210 for Mr. Kerr. The re-count made by the committee credited Mr. Baird with 174 votes and Mr. Kerr with 206.

Four members of the board of election inspectors, George E. Hammond, Leonard Alger, John E. Austin and George Sargeant were sworn and testified before your committee. The testimony discloses that a large number of voters were instructed at that precinct at the said election and ballots marked for them by unauthorized persons, and that none of the voters whose ballots were thus marked or who were so assisted were sworn as to their inability to prepare their own ballots, or that they had requested assistance, and that many of them after having received assistance in the preparation of their ballots exhibited the ballot, open, to sundry persons. The number of voters whose ballots were thus marked for them, or who were assisted and instructed in the marking of their ballots, is somewhat indefinite from the testimony, but the undersigned members of your committee believe a fair deduction from the evidence is that between twenty-five and thirty were so assisted.

The testimony also discloses that there were a large number of persons voted at this polling place who were not registered. An effort was made by Mr. Hammond, the Democratic supervisor and chairman of the board of election inspectors, at this precinct, to account for a portion of those whom it was charged had voted without being registered, the number having been placed at about 30 by the contestant, but there were between 12 and 15 names which, after a careful search of the register, he could not find, which he admitted were not upon the registration book. Of the number which he claimed to have found upon the register, which the contestant claimed were not registered, were several which had no similarity either in the sound of the pronunciation or in the appearance of the name with those appearing upon the poll list; but he insisted that they were probably meant for the persons whose names were upon the list, but his

explanations in reference to those names were unsatisfactory to the undersigned members of your committee.

We call attention to the testimony of Mr. Hammond appearing upon pages 100 and 255 of the record.

The testimony discloses the fact that a small ballot box was placed in use at the opening of the polls of this precinct for the reception of ballots but that soon thereafter the board, discovering that it would be too small, opened the box while the ballots were being received from the voters, and the ballots were held in the hand of the supervisor, Hammond, retained by him until a member of the board went to a store near by and procured a small wooden box that had been used to contain bird seed, which box was so labeled on the outside, it having no hinges or lock, in one side of which a hole was cut and the tickets inserted. When this box was brought before the committee by the township clerk it was only sealed by a small piece of canvass pasted over the edge of one side and it appeared that one side of the box had been removed many times, but when your committee was unable to ascertain. The box had no lock, cover or hinges of any kind when brought before your committee and the testimony disclosed that in an election contest concerning the office of sheriff, held in the county of Saginaw since the election on November 3, last, the board refused to open the box or count the ballots, for the reason that the law had been entirely disregarded with reference to the furnishing of a proper ballot box, and the care and preservation of the ballots cast.

In McOrary on elections, section 540, we find the following: "The use of a hat or a cigar box instead of a ballot box, together with the fact that other than election officers passed near the boxes is held sufficient evidence of fraud to invalidate the vote of the precinct."

In the case of Attorney General vs. McQuade, the court said: "The provisions of the law prohibiting any one from entering the booths with an elector except those authorized by the statute and prohibiting an elector from displaying his ballot to any one except persons so authorized, must be held mandatory or else the purpose of the law is defeated, and the opportunities for fraud are increased rather than diminished." And also, "That when fraud on the part of the officers is established the poll will be rejected if it be impossible to purge it of the fraud."

It being the opinion of the undersigned members of your committee that no one should be allowed to disclose for whom he cast his ballot, and that, therefore, it would be impossible to ascertain for whom the illegal votes were cast, under the rules laid down by the authorities the entire vote of this precinct should be rejected.

In this same connection the undersigned members of your committee also cite Haffron vs. Mahoney, 24 Pacific Reporter, 93-5.

Paine on elections, p. 513.

This rule is also proved by the House of Representatives of this State, in the contested election of Davock vs. Rush, House Journal, volume 1 of 1893, pages 363 to 368.

It is explicitly laid down in 94 Michigan, page 441, already cited, that under our statute no unregistered person possesses the right to vote; and the votes of these unregistered voters are also to be rejected.

Where the frauds are of such character that the correct vote cannot be determined, their return will be rejected.

Attorney General vs. May, 99 Mich., 555.

In the above case the court say, "In the present case the inspectors and other officers of the various districts are not charged with active fraud but with marking ballots of those who claimed they could not read English without their having first made oath as to that fact."

But they held, nevertheless, "that it amounted to constructive fraud, and that the person receiving a majority on the face of the polls could not profit by such fraud."

Where 82 men from the Soldiers' Home voted, who were not legal voters, and as it was impossible to ascertain for which candidate they voted, it was held the vote of the precinct must be rejected.

People vs. Hannah, 98 Mich., 515-16.

The undersigned members of your committee are of the opinion that under the rule laid down in the case of Maynard vs. Stillson, 66 Northwestern Reporter, 389, already cited, and Attorney General vs. McQuade, 94 Mich., 439, the entire vote of the precinct of Birch Run should be rejected.

In the township of Spalding, a part of the second legislative district of Saginaw county, the return made by the election commissioners credits Mr. Baird with having received 65 votes; Mr. Kerr, 87. No recount was made of the ballots in the box in this precinct by your committee.

The testimony discloses the fact that Otto Ferchau, one of the members of the board, marked the tickets of a considerable number of electors, as near as could be ascertained between 15 and 25. That none of the electors who were assisted in the marking of their tickets, or whose tickets were marked for them by Mr. Ferchau, disclosed any disability under oath as required by law. Mr. Ferchau, as the testimony discloses, appeared to have acted voluntarily in assisting voters, and was not appointed or instructed by the board to assist in the preparation of ballots. Mr. Ferchau himself testified that he understood if any voter asked or desired his assistance it was his duty to help him mark his ticket, and he assisted all such who made such request of him.

The testimony discloses that there were challengers at this precinct and that one Peter Evon, who was a challenger for the silver party, but not a member of the board of election inspectors, saw all of the tickets which Mr. Ferchau assisted the electors to mark, and that no other person or challenger did see such tickets or the marking of them.

The testimony also discloses that at that polling place there were posted up within the room where the voters prepared their ballots and handed them to the inspectors, and within close proximity to the election booths, large placards, one with the familiar cut of the silver dollar upon it and containing a request for voters to vote for the silver ticket, and also a large red placard urging them to vote for Mr. James Kerr, the contestee in this matter, and that such placards were within the voting place during all the time the polls were open upon the election day of November 3 last.

The undersigned members of your committee therefore recommend that for the reasons above given the entire vote of the precinct of Spalding should be rejected, and call attention to the law and authorities already cited.

The return made by the inspectors of the township of Taymouth within the said second legislative district of Saginaw county of the election held on the third of November last credit Mr. Baird with having received 152 votes and Mr. Kerr 272. The re-count made by your committee credits Mr. Baird with 152 votes and Mr. Kerr with 255.

The testimony taken with reference to this township discloses that the manifest, and it would seem intentional disregard of the provisions of the statute governing elections upon the part of the election board and other parties connected with the election at this precinct was more flagrant than that at any other precinct inquired into by your committee.

Twenty witnesses were sworn from this township, including Pearly F. Becker, the supervisor; D. M. Hunter, justice of the peace; David Leach, clerk of the board of election, and others connected with the board.

It appears by the testimony of Joseph Phillips, David McNally and James McNally that a large number of voters' tickets were marked in this precinct by one James Morse, who was one of the inspectors of election. That none of the voters for whom such tickets were marked disclosed any inability to mark their own tickets and that few, if any, had any disability which would prevent them from marking their own tickets. The number so marked is indefinite, but the undersigned members of your committee believe the testimony warrants the statement that between 50 and 60 voters had their tickets so marked. Mr. Morse himself when upon the witness stand gave the names of 25 whom he so assisted and stated that there were several others whose names he did not recall; and that also during the campaign and election of 1896, he was an active worker in behalf of the silver ticket upon which the name of Mr. Kerr, the contestee, appears.

As to the manner in which Mr. Morse conducted himself in the voluntary assistance of voters, the undersigned members of your committee give herewith the testimony of one Peter Logan upon that subject.

Peter Logan, being duly sworn, testified as follows:

EXAMINED BY MR. DAVIS:

Q. Do you live in the township of Taymouth?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. Were you at the election on the third of November last?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. Did you vote there?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. You may state whether any person, when you went into the—or started to go in to prepare your ballot, asked you if you desired any assistance or not.

A. No, sir; I didn't.

Q. I asked you if any person asked you anything about that when you went in.

A. No, sir; there was nobody asked me anything about it; there was James Kerr, he stood at the door when I went in to vote; I looked my ticket over before I voted. He said there was a young fellow in there that needed some help, in case James Morse, Frank McNally—James Morse took my ticket and told me to vote a silver ticket and put the cross

right on top there; I told him to wait a minute before I took my ticket back, and I marked it to a

Q. You had been in the booth previous to the election took place, had you?

A. Yes; that was right in there.

Q. They didn't see your ticket then after you had

A. No, sir; I folded it up and voted—threw it in

Q. That was all the conversation that was had b

A. That was all.

Q. You say you went in the booth?

A. Yes; they came right in there.

Q. What did Mr. Morse say to you?

A. He asked me, he says: "If you want to vote your cross right at the top." I also told him I had made any request for assistance, Mr. Morse volunteered to suit myself and went on.

Q. Had you made any marks on it previous to the

A. No, sir; I hadn't made any marks.

The testimony of one Daniel Wheaton, an Indian, is a fact that when he was about entering the booth and made any request for assistance, Mr. Morse volunteered preparation of Mr. Wheaton's ballot.

The testimony also shows that Mr. Morse assisted Blackmere, whom he claimed could not see without his glasses, and that he saw him do so at his said election. Mr. Blackmere was not produced before to show that he was laboring under any disability, or to any reason to mark his ticket.

It also appears from the testimony of Perley J. of the township and chairman of the board of elections when Mr. Morse was going into the booth after having Moore, he, Becker, called Morse's attention to the right to go into the booth until the voter was sworn to mark his own ticket, but that Morse paid no attention Becker said.

The testimony of Mr. Becker shows that he was Moore could mark his own ticket without assistance.

In the petition of contest filed by Mr. Baird, or stated at the time of the framing of the issue just previous to the taking of testimony at Saginaw, it was charged that twenty-two persons who voted in this township were attempted was made on the part of the contestee to show that were those of men whose names appear upon the poll list. Instead of David Catchem, No. 275 upon the poll list, the name of Stephen Katcham, which they claim was the party himself was not produced to show that he voted nor is there any evidence before your committee of more than two, other than the statement of the witness.

The name of John Eugene, number 326 upon the poll list to be intended for a man whose name was found on the list as John Iginiski, but the testimony of Albert Green and others, show that there is a John Eugene and also John

they are two different persons. The name of George Howard, number 278 on the poll list, it was claimed, should be George Howell. George Howell was not produced to show that he voted there on election day.

Mike Leightner, number 76 upon the poll list, it was claimed should be Mike Linder, whose name appeared upon the registration book. The name of Oritski, number 171 upon the poll list, and contained in the contestant's list of names, was found to have been registered. A man by the name of David Ross was produced from that township who testified that Mike Haymaker, number 181 upon the poll list, was probably the same person whose name appeared upon the registration book as Mike Hemmeter, and he testified that he saw Hemmeter vote and thought the chairman of the board had called him Mike Haymaker. The chairman of the board, Mr. Becker, was present, but no attempt was made to show by him that he had made any such mistake, and the testimony of Ross is so unsatisfactory in view of the fact that Mike Hemmeter was not produced to show that he voted on that day, that it seems to the undersigned members of your committee to be conclusive against the contention that the two are identical.

The name given as Clarence Woodward, number 129 upon the poll list, was found upon comparison to be Wm. S. Woodward whose name appears upon the registration book.

After a strenuous effort having been made before your committee by the contestee to show that the list of names presented by the contestant of parties in this township who voted unregistered were upon the register, there were upwards of twenty who voted whose names could not be found upon the registration book and these votes, in the judgment of the undersigned members of your committee, were illegal.

The contestant also gave a list in his petition of seven names of persons who voted at that precinct who were marked "removed," on the registration book. Of these persons Alexander Jackson, number 359 upon the poll list, and James Tacklebury, number 61, were found to be properly upon the registration book and not marked "removed," leaving five illegal votes in that list.

Contestant also gives in his petition a list of the names of four persons who were allowed to register upon election day in that precinct and vote without their having been sworn as to their right to register. The evidence of the supervisor and other members of the board of inspectors, so far as inquired of, was to the effect that they had no recollection of any one being sworn or any oath being administered to them on that day at the polling place.

Charles McDonald, number 276 upon the poll list, of that precinct, was produced as a witness and stated that he was sworn as to his right to vote on that day, but in view of the evidence of the members of the board it appears to the undersigned members of your committee that this statement is very doubtful, so that there were four illegal votes received on that day from persons, illegally registered, making a total of twenty-nine votes thus received who were not on the registration book, or improperly registered at that precinct.

When the polls closed at that precinct on the evening of November third, instead of comparing the poll list and counting the ballots unopened and withdrawing the excess, if any, in the manner directed by law, the ballots were opened and then counted and the excess, two ballots, were taken out, the officers first seeing for whom they were cast, one having

were spoiled tickets which it would have been necessary to reject in any event.

In addition to the authorities already cited by the undersigned members of your committee we desire to add the following: "It is unlawful for any inspector of election to assist in marking a ballot for any elector who claims to read English until such elector shall have first made oath to the fact as provided by section 32, of the act, and the requirement being mandatory, votes in violation thereof should not be counted."

Attorney General vs. May, 99 Mich., 539-59.

Very few and minor irregularities were found in the manner of taking and canvassing the vote in the township of Maple Grove, and a re-count of the votes cast in that township by your committee credited Mr. Baird with 138 votes, and Mr. Kerr with 230; whereas the vote returned by the board of inspectors of that precinct credits Mr. Baird with 138 votes and Mr. Kerr with 233.

The irregularities in the manner of conducting the election in that township were of such minor importance as to be, in the judgment of the undersigned members of your committee, unworthy of special comment or consideration.

In the township of Albee the return of the board of inspectors credits Mr. Baird with 99 votes and Mr. Kerr with 82; and a recount of the votes cast in that precinct by your committee credits Mr. Baird with 98 votes and Mr. Kerr with 82.

The testimony discloses that there were not over four voters assisted in the marking of their ballots in this precinct and that they were people who were known to the board personally to be unable to either read or write and they were not sworn as to their disability.

In the township of Chesaning the board of election inspectors returned 320 votes for Mr. Baird and 265 for Mr. Kerr.

The re-count credits Mr. Baird with 316 and Mr. Kerr with 262.

The testimony discloses that the election in this precinct was conducted in close conformity to the provisions of the statutes and that three men, whose names were given, being Volker, C. A. Cantwell, and O'Dell, were assisted by H. J. Hopkins, one of the members of the board duly appointed for that purpose, who instructed them in the presence of the challengers, and it was shown conclusively by the board of inspectors on election day and before your committee upon the examination that the parties mentioned were all physically disabled from marking their own ballots.

One Mr. Groat was also assisted by the same inspector at this precinct and the testimony disclosed that he was a German and that all the members of the board had personal knowledge, after acquaintance with him for many years, that he could neither read nor write English, nor mark his ticket, and he was therefore assisted in the presence of the challengers without having been sworn as to his inability to mark his ballot.

One John Bennett was sworn for the contestee in reference to the manner of conducting the election at that precinct, but no new fact was developed from his testimony.

The testimony further disclosed with reference to this precinct that two persons were allowed to register on the day of election, that they were

sworn according to the provisions of the statute in such case made and provided as to their right to vote and register, and the board unanimously decided that they were entitled to both register and vote, when their names were ordered placed upon the register and their ballots accepted and placed in the box.

One George Miller, whose name had been marked "removed," upon the register, voted upon that day and his vote was challenged for the reason that he had been marked "removed" upon the register. Under oath he satisfied the board that he had not removed, that he was and had been for many years a resident and citizen of the precinct, and his vote was accepted by the board.

In the township of Blumfield three members of the board testified before your committee, but no irregularities were discovered in the manner of conducting the election at that precinct, and by consent of both parties the vote was not recounted by your committee.

In the township of Bridgeport the board of inspectors returned 263 votes for Mr. Baird and 191 for Mr. Kerr. A recount of the ballots in that township by your committee credited Mr. Baird with 259 votes and Mr. Kerr with 184.

In this township Andrew Stacey, supervisor and chairman of the board, William Y. Baum, clerk, and John Leidline, and Isaac C. Simons, justice of the peace, all members of the board of inspectors, and also Dr. W. H. P. Benjamin, a challenger for the democratic silver party, were sworn and testified. The testimony disclosed that only two men were assisted to mark their ballots in that township and that both of these were nearly blind and in consequence unable to read or mark their tickets, and this fact was not only made manifest to the board at the time, but that also it was within the personal knowledge of each member of the board and had been for some time previous to the day of said election.

Also that another man by the name of Homer Pratt, who was suffering from rheumatism and unable to walk at all, was brought in upon a chair from which he could not be removed, and that therefore it was impossible to place him within a booth. That a chair was placed in a corner between a booth and the wall facing another wall so that one wall was in front of him and another at his right hand and the booth at his left. The inspector, Isaac C. Simon, and the challenger, Mr. Benjamin, stood immediately behind this chair to prevent any one seeing how he marked his ticket. That he marked his own ticket and that neither of the gentlemen near him saw him and could not have seen him from where they stood and in the position in which they were placed, and did not see his ticket until he had marked and folded it, when they carried him to the presence of the board where his ballot was received and deposited in the box.

An effort was made upon the part of the contestee to show for whom the illegal votes in Taymouth township had been cast, but following the indication made in the opinion by Mr. Justice Montgomery in *Attorney General vs. May*, 99 Mich., 557-8, and *Maynard vs. Stillson*, 66 Northwestern Reporter, 389, the undersigned members of your committee considered such testimony inadmissible, and an objection made by the attorney for the contestant to the admissibility of this evidence was held to be well taken.

The election law in force in this state prohibits any voter from disclosing to any person for whom he voted after he shall have marked his ballot,

and provides that any ballot exhibited after the voter shall have placed his mark upon it shall not be received by the board of inspectors.

The undersigned members of your committee believe it is just as important that the electors shall be prevented from disclosing afterwards for whom he voted as from disclosing it on the day of election, if the purpose of the law is to prevent corrupt practices.

Mr. Justice Cooley laid down a true rule in reference to this matter in his work on Constitutional Limitation, second edition, pages 625-6, where he states the rule as follows: "When secret balloting is the policy of the law no one is at liberty to enquire how any elector has voted except as he may voluntarily have waived his privilege, and when consequently the avenues to correct information concerning the votes cast are carefully guarded against judicial explorations it seem exceedingly dangerous to permit any question to be raised upon this subject. For the evidence voluntarily given upon any such question will usually come from them less worthy of credit, who, if they have voted without legal right in order to elect particular candidates, will be equally ready to testify falsely if their testimony can be made to help the same candidates, especially when if they give evidence that they voted the opposing ticket, there can usually be no means, as they well know, of showing the evidence to be untrue."

The undersigned members of your committee believe that it would be very dangerous to permit persons to disclose upon any inquiry for whom they cast their votes. Such a proceeding would put it in the power of a person who did not succeed by his illegal vote in electing his candidate, to have him counted in by swearing that he voted for his opponent, and as is said in *McCrary on Elections*, section 450, in a quotation from the case of *Cessna vs. Meyer*, 42 Congress, where it is said that one could make his vote count double: First, by voting for his own candidate, and second, by asserting that he voted the other way, and so having his vote deducted from the party against whom he cast it. Such evidence was held inadmissible by the supreme court of Kentucky, 35 *Southwestern Reporter*, 543, and in *Commonwealth vs. Barry*, 38 *Southwestern Reporter*, 400. In those cases the court say, that if evidence can be allowed to be introduced in judicial proceedings showing how or for whom the party voted, it seems to us that one of the safeguards thrown around the voter will, to say the least, be weakened or injured. If he were permitted to so testify he could then be subjected to a moral compulsion from his party associates. And one party might obtain from a willing witness testimony which the other party would be powerless to rebut, because unable to compel a statement of the truth, and such would be the inevitable result if persons were permitted to disclose or not, as they should see fit, for whom they voted." The fact is, the public is interested in a matter of this kind and it is not solely an individual matter.

In *Attorney General vs. McQuade*, 94 Mich.; 439, the court says, that "Whatever may have been the rule under former election laws" (having reference to the present election law in force in this State) "it is evident that under this statute, no voter can be compelled to remove the secrecy of his ballot and state how he voted."

In all cases to which reference is made, wherein it is stated that the deduction shall be proportionately made if the number of illegal votes cast for each can be ascertained, it presupposed a method of arriving at the fact as to how the parties voted, and such is the case with all persons who are in fact challenged, and it turns out that they are illegal voters, and

such also is true with respect to those ballots upon which the name of the voter is written, as well as in some other instances.

But in considering the contention of the incumbent respecting the right to show how the unregistered persons voted because they were illegal votes, it must be remembered that he claimed that they were registered under a name spelled differently from that upon the poll list, and therefore under his own claim, it not being established that the votes were illegal, and under the rule that prevents a party from taking two positions which conflict with each other, he could not make the showing which he offered to make.

But the undersigned members of your committee believe that the question as to what ticket candidate or candidates these parties voted, is, in this instance, of no importance, for the reason that the evidence is overwhelming, that the conduct of the election in the townships of Frankenth, Birch Run, Spalding and Taymouth, was so illegal and fraudulent, and that they are so palpably a violation of the laws governing elections, that the whole vote returned therefrom should be rejected.

Maynard vs. Stillson, 66 Northwestern Reporter, 389.

The testimony discloses as already stated that in at least a part of the townships mentioned assistance was rendered by persons who were not members of the board of election inspectors and who were not selected and designated by the board for that purpose.

Upon a somewhat hasty investigation of the reports of the supreme courts of different states where the Australian ballot system is in use, the undersigned members of your committee discover that it seems to have been quite generally held that the provisions of law respecting the assistance of voters in the preparation of and marking their tickets are mandatory.

The court of Kentucky quoting from its statute, section 1,475, says, that it "requires the voter to take an oath of his disability before his ballot can be marked for him and deposited, and that it is mandatory, and that a ballot marked without his declaration on oath being made, is illegal and cannot be counted." The case was decided April 28, 1896.

Major vs. Barker, 35 Southwestern Reporter, 543.

And in the same case the court says, that the ballots marked by the clerk or in his presence, are shown to other persons, within the meaning of the prohibition of the statute.

The courts of California, Iowa, Minnesota, Nebraska, Dakota, and Indiana have held the same. In the latter state the supreme court so held in the case of Sego vs. Stoddard, 36 Northeastern Reporter, 204. We also cite, State vs. Gay, 60 Northwestern Reporter, 675, and Attorney General vs. McQuade, 94 Mich, 439, previously cited.

Attorney General vs. May, 99 Mich. 538.

Lankford vs. Gebhart, 32 Southwestern Reporter, 1,128 (Mo).

Nor is it any excuse that the party who was assisted was old and his eyesight dim so that he could not see to read without spectacles which he had forgotten to bring with him.

State vs. Gay, 10 Northwestern Reporter, 677 (Minn).

It appears to the undersigned members of your courts have held repeatedly that the entire vote returned from precincts should be rejected for fraud when it is impossible to ascertain the number of legal votes so that it may be known how many legal votes they have held that when the election board marked, or marking of tickets in violation of law, or when they were not voters in the view of others, and the number thus illegally exhibited cannot be ascertained, that the entire vote of the precinct be rejected.

See Michigan cases already cited, 94-99. Also Woodcomb, 97 Mich., 361.

People vs. Hannah, 98 Mich., 515.

Russell vs. McDowell, 23 Pacific Reporter, 183 5 (Ct.

An effort was made upon the part of the contestee, Mr. L. Albee, to show that the illegal conduct upon the part of election board in the townships of Albee, Chesaning, Blumfield, Bridgeport and Zilwaukee. No assistance was given in Blumfield, and as to each of the other townships who were assisted except one were laboring under physical disability which was manifest to the board, and no showing was made by any part of the contestees that the tickets of any of those assisted one of said townships were seen by any one, either when being marked or afterwards. And in any event the number assisted in each instance was made absolutely definite and that the rule of proportionate reduction as mentioned in Hannah, 98 Mich. 516, would apply.

But the undersigned members of your committee, believing the reasons above stated that the four townships above mentioned were excluded, make no report regarding a proportionate reduction should it be made, under the testimony taken by the committee in the opinion of the undersigned members of your committee a considerable majority in favor of the contestant.

It is endeavored upon the part of the contestee, Mr. Keister, to show that irregularities had been practiced by the board of election in the township of Zilwaukee, in that the names of two men were inserted upon election day.

The testimony taken before your committee disclosed that upon registration day the two men in question were working upon what is known as the Fifield and Munday farm, a very large tract of which, some 60 acres, is in the township of Zilwaukee, and the farm consisting of about 940 or 950 acres, and upon which the work was being done, was located in the township of Buena Vista, that therefore the two men in question were out of the township of Zilwaukee upon the day the board of registration was in session.

The testimony also disclosed that these two men had been told that the board of registration would be in session in the evening of registration day and had attempted to cross the river in a boat, being the only method of reaching the place where the board of registration was in session without going around by Saginaw. It was also disclosed that the board of registration was not in session in the evening in question. Therefore upon election day these two men, under oath, stated the facts as above set forth as showing why they

registered upon registration day, when, by a vote of the board unanimously adopted, the names were placed upon the register and they were permitted to and did vote.

Under the circumstances, and having in mind section 26, Act No. 202, laws of 1893, and the case of *Wolcott vs. Holcomb*, in the 97th, Mich. 361, it would have been improper for the board to have refused the receiving of the votes of these two men.

With reference to the actions of the board in the four townships mentioned specifically, Frankenmuth, Birch Run, Spalding and Taymouth, it may be urged that the boards acted in disregard of the law through ignorance; but the law presumes that the election board, as well as all other persons, know the law under which they are required to act, and that they intend the result of their acts.

United States vs. Carpenter, 41 Federal Reporter, 330.

Nor is it necessary to the establishment of their fraudulent conduct, or that they intended by such conduct to defeat Mr. Baird's election, to connect their illegal acts with any candidate.

Blue vs. Peter, 20 Pacific Reporter, 442 (Kas.).

The rule laid down by the text writers is as follows:

"When fraud upon the part of the officers of election is established, the poll will not be rejected unless it shall prove impossible to purge it of the fraud. When the result, as shown by the returns, is false and fraudulent, and it is impossible to ascertain the actual vote from the other evidence in the case, the vote of such poll must be wholly rejected."

Paine on Elections, 497.

McCrary on Elections, 190-192.

This is founded on good sense and is sustained by the authorities.

Mann's Case, Second Phila., 320.

McKinney vs. O'Connor, 26 Texas, 5.

Knox Co. vs. Davis, 63 Ill., 405.

Van Amiringe vs. Taylor, 102 N. C., 196. 12 Southeastern Reporter, 1005.

Heyfrom vs. Mahoney, 9 Montana, 497. 24 Pacific Reporter, 93.

Londoner vs. People, 15 Colorado, 557. 26 Pacific Reporter, 135.

Chamberlain vs. Woodin (Idaho), 23 Pacific Reporter, 177.

Jones vs. Glidewell, 53 Ark., 161. 13 Southwestern Reporter, 723.

Blue vs. Peter, 40 Kan., 701. 20 Pacific Reporter, 442.

In *Jones vs. Glidewell* the entire vote was rejected because certain voters were intimidated by being compelled to either show their ballots or be ostracised by others. It is of far more consequence to the people of this State and to the stability of our form of government that these provisions should be held mandatory than is the fact that occasionally the will of the people may be defeated by adhering to them, and rejecting the entire precinct so tainted with fraud. Whatever may have been the rule under former election laws it is evident that under this statute no voter can be compelled or should be permitted to remove the secrecy of his ballot and State how he voted. If these provisions are held directory only, it follows that the intent of the people to pass a law to preserve the purity of elec-

tions is defeated, and the statute, instead, provides sure means to protect and cover up corruptions and venality.

The undersigned members of your committee charge no fraud upon the sitting member, Mr. Kerr; but we recognize the fact that it is of the highest importance that the integrity and purity of the ballot should be unsullied.

It has been the intention of many preceding legislatures of this State to enact such laws as will insure the purity of elections; that none but legal voters should be allowed to cast a ballot, and that strictly in the manner as is clearly and specifically pointed out by the statutes of this State, and have intended to throw around the elective franchise such safeguards as would insure the will of the people being carried out in strict compliance and conformity with the statutes of the State.

Many bills have been introduced and are now under consideration by the State legislature looking still further to maintaining the purity of elections and to guarding carefully and zealously the rights of the people of the State; and if this very commendable intention is to be carried into effect, it would seem it were high time the people of the State understood from the legislature, as well as from the courts, that at least some regard must be paid to the provisions of the statute governing the conduct of elections and the rights of the people therein and thereunder.

The undersigned members of your committee therefore respectfully recommend that the entire vote of the townships of Frankenmuth, Birch Run, Spalding and Taymouth be rejected, and that the vote thereby in the said second legislative district in the county of Saginaw be permitted to stand as shown by the election returns and as re-canvassed by your committee of the balance of the townships within said district as follows:

Buena Vista, Baird, 282; Kerr, 308.

Zilwaukee, Baird, 161; Kerr, 46.

Maple Grove, Baird, 138, Kerr, 230.

Albee, Baird, 98; Kerr, 82.

Chesaning, Baird, 316; Kerr, 262.

Bridgeport, Baird, 259; Kerr, 184.

Blumfield, Baird, 209; Kerr, 100.

Total, Baird, 1,463; Kerr, 1,212.

Being a majority in favor of Mr. Baird of 251 votes, and that the said John Baird be seated as a member of this House of Representatives as Representative from the second legislative district of Saginaw county.

And in conclusion the undersigned members of your committee recommend in addition to the above the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That John Baird is entitled to a seat in this House of Representatives from the second legislative district of Saginaw county, Michigan, the one now occupied by James Kerr.

F. C. Chamberlain,
W. R. Edgar,
J. H. Anderson.

The minority of the committee to whom was referred the protest and petition of John Baird, contesting the seat in the House of Representatives, now occupied by James Kerr, for the second district in the county of Saginaw, having heard the testimony and evidence given, and having

duly considered the same, beg leave to submit the following minority report:

At the election held November 3, 1896, in the second district of Saginaw county, there were two candidates for representative in the State legislature, namely, James Kerr and John Baird. The result of the election as certified by the board of canvassers, shows that there were 4,049 votes in said district cast for the office of representative in the State legislature, and that there were cast for James Kerr for said office as shown by said return, 2,060 votes and for John Baird 1,989; that said Kerr had a majority in said district of 71 votes over said Baird.

In the second district of Saginaw county there are eleven voting precincts, as follows: Albee, Birch Run, Blumfield, Bridgeport, Buena Vista, Chesaning, Frankenmuth, Maple Grove, Spalding, Taymouth and Zilwaukee.

A large number of witnesses were produced and sworn before the committee by both the contestant and sitting member. In the township of Birch Run, there were three persons sworn, supervisor, clerk of the township, and the republican challenger. All agree that in said township a small number of electors were assisted in preparing their ballots, and that the assistance was given by a man appointed and sworn by the board of election inspectors for that purpose and that whatever instructions were given by the person so appointed was in the presence of both challengers and in each case exactly in accordance with the request of the elector. The republican challenger could only name seven persons that were assisted and his testimony shows that four of the seven persons were blind or nearly so.

An attempt was made by the contestant to show that a large number of electors voted in said township of Birch Run who were not registered, but the testimony discloses that by a careful comparison of the registration and poll lists it was found that the clerk of election had misspelled many of the names, and that nearly if not all of the names appearing on the poll list were registered.

The undersigned members of the committee find that no competent proof was offered by the contestant that there was a single elector who voted in said township of Birch Run who was not registered. The fact that so many names were misspelled demonstrates that the most convincing proof should be offered by the contestant before finding should be made that any elector voted in said precinct who was not registered. The following names which appear in the record and were taken from the registration and poll lists demonstrate the danger of such a finding: Michael Binard for Michael Reinhart; Jerd Spears for Gered Spears; William Rowgt far Billy Rough.

The contestant contends that the entire vote in Birch Run should be rejected because a suitable ballot box was not used. While the box used in said precinct was not the most desirable, the record discloses the fact that the ballots were securely kept until they were canvassed at said election and the result declared. The result of the recount in said precinct as declared by the chairman of the committee, shows that 174 votes were cast for the contestant and 206 votes for the sitting member. The minority of the committee contend that four tickets were rejected which should have been counted for Mr. Kerr. Two of the four tickets rejected were marked at the head of the Silver and Democratic tickets, one at the head of the

Silver and National and one at the head of the Prohibition, Silver, Democratic and National. Inasmuch as only one candidate for representative to the State legislature was voted for on each of said rejected ballots, we contend they should be counted for Mr. Kerr, making his total vote 210, as shown by the certificate of the board of canvassers. To ask that 384 electors should be disfranchised because of the few irregularities shown to exist in the township of Birch Run, would be to establish a rule that, if enforced, would disfranchise more than three-quarters of the electors in the State of Michigan. Both the Silver and Republican parties were represented by challengers. In every precinct in the representative district where any irregularities are charged and wherever any assistance was given it was in the presence of the challengers of both parties, and the will of the elector was in all cases, so far as the evidence discloses, carried out. There is not a scintilla of evidence in the record that shows that the contestant was deprived of a single vote by reason of any of the irregularities charged.

In the township of Frankenmuth three witnesses were produced and sworn before the committee being the supervisor, clerk and one other inspector of election. In this voting precinct, the minority of the committee find that the election was conducted in strict accordance with the letter of the law. An attempt was made by the contestant to show that many electors were assisted in marking their ballots, but the record discloses that the instructions given at said election were in a general way; that the assistance given was outside of the railing that includes the booths in the election hall and were similar to the instructions printed on the ballots, and whatever assistance was given in this way was by an elector sworn by the board for that purpose. Not a single voter was assisted in marking his ballot, except possibly one elector whom the chairman of the board testified was blind. Each party was represented by challengers who were present during the entire day, and if there was any intimidation or fraud in the manner of conducting said election there was no evidence laid before your committee to establish that fact. The Republican challenger who was appointed for the purpose of protecting the interest of the contestant as well as the other candidates on his party ticket was not produced and sworn before the committee, but it appears from the witnesses sworn that said challenger was present in the same room with the board of election inspectors during the entire time that the voting was in progress and during the time the votes were canvassed. In canvassing the votes in said township of Frankenmuth a clerical error was made which was discovered on the recount for the office of sheriff of said county of Saginaw. It was admitted by the contestant that it was a mere clerical error. No claim was made that the error was intentional or deliberate.

The election in said township was held at the township hall built by the citizens of Frankenmuth for the purpose of holding therein public meetings and elections. Your committee made a visit to the township of Frankenmuth to view the said town hall, and the minority of the committee find the same especially adapted to the purpose of holding elections therein. The majority of your committee contend that the entire vote of said township of Frankenmuth should be rejected. Such a finding is not supported by the law or evidence, and the minority of your committee contend that

such action would be a flagrant violation of the rights of the sitting members.

If there was any fraud or the slightest irregularity in the manner of conducting the election in said township, we insist that before presuming the existence of such facts, the challenger who represented the Republican party should be produced and sworn before your committee.

The canvass of the votes in Frankenmuth as declared by the majority of the committee shows that John Baird, contestant, received 160 votes and James Kerr, sitting member, received 247 votes. The minority of the committee find that one ticket which was rejected by the majority should be counted for Mr. Kerr. This ticket was marked in the circle at the head of the Silver and Democratic ticket upon which there was but one candidate for the office of representative. We therefore find that James Kerr should be credited with 248 votes and John Baird with 160 votes.

In the township of Spalding the ballots were not canvassed by the committee. The ballot box was subpoenaed before the committee by the contestant but it was agreed that neither party desired the recanvass of the votes. The board of election inspectors of the said township of Spalding were all members of the Republican party. Four members of said board were produced and sworn before the committee. The only irregularities relied upon in said precinct was that some of the electors were assisted by one member of the board who was duly appointed and sworn for that purpose. Otto Ferchau, a member of the Republican party, was appointed for the purpose of assisting voters in marking their tickets. The record discloses that said Ferchau was also appointed by the Republican party to act as their challenger at said election and to see that the tickets were properly marked. While the different members of said board testified that there were from ten to twenty persons assisted in marking their ballots at said election, upon further inquiry they were only able to name four persons who received any assistance. If there was others assisted the minority of the committee have no knowledge of why they were assisted. The assistance, if any was given, might have been permissible under the statute. The affirmative of the question rests with the contestant.

The minority of your committee, in view of the fact that the board of election inspectors in said township of Spalding were members of the same political organization as the contestant, and from the further fact that the person appointed by said board to assist the voters in marking their tickets was the challenger of the same party, do not find that the contestant has suffered by reason of any irregularities committed by said board without some proof to show that the voters that were assisted did not exercise their choice. We therefore find that the return made by the canvassing board for the said township of Spalding should not be disturbed.

The petition of the contestant charges that in the township of Taymouth a large number of persons voted who were not registered and that a number of persons were assisted in marking their ballots. The board of election inspectors in the township of Taymouth were all members of the Republican party. On election morning, a man by the name of James W. Morse was appointed and sworn by the board to assist persons who were unable to mark their own ballots. It appears from the testimony of the person so appointed, that quite a large number of persons were given assistance in marking their tickets, but in each instance, the challengers

of the Republican and Silver parties were present. Both challengers were sworn before your committee and testified that in each instance the tickets were marked exactly in accordance with the will of the voter. It further appears that many of the persons assisted had defective eyesight which disability was apparent to the board, and that others were old gentlemen who were unable to mark their ballots without assistance. It was also shown that a number of persons voted in said precinct who were not registered, but the claim was made by the contestee that none of the persons not registered who voted at said election voted for the sitting member. Mr. Kerr's residence is in the township of Taymouth, and it is claimed by him that being a candidate for office at said election; and being especially interested in the outcome of the election, he made a special effort to see that the members of his own party were registered on registration day. The persons who were not registered and voted at said election in the township of Taymouth, were subpoenaed before the committee by the sitting member, and he offered to show by them that they voted for the contestant. This evidence was ruled out by the chairman of the committee, claiming that it was incompetent for an elector to give testimony as to what candidate he voted for.

The undersigned members of the committee did not so understand the law and were willing that the witnesses subpoenaed by Mr. Kerr for that purpose be permitted to disclose that information. We are still of the same opinion and now contend that the testimony should have been received. There is no rule of law that would justify the committee in refusing to receive the proof after it was first shown that the votes cast were illegal, provided the voter was willing to give the information. The rule as laid down by McCrary on Elections, page 306, is as follows:

"A person who votes without being qualified is a mere intruder, and not entitled to the privileges which belong to legal voters, but such a person shall not be compelled to testify as to the person for whom he voted, until it is clearly shown that he voted illegally. So long as the question as to the legality of his vote is in doubt, he cannot be compelled to make the disclosure. An illegal voter may, however, decline to answer for whom he voted, on the ground that his answer might criminate himself, but in such case the contents of the ballot may be shown by other testimony and a legal voter may waive his privilege and voluntarily testify as to the person for whom he has voted.

"It is very clear that the rule, which, upon grounds of public policy, protects the legal voter against being compelled to disclose for whom he voted, does not protect a person who has voted illegally from making such disclosure. To give to that rule this wide scope, would be to make it shield alike the right and the wrong, the honest and the dishonest. It was intended to protect the inviolable secrecy of an honest ballot, and thus the purity of the ballot box. It was not intended to be used in the aid of the schemes of corrupt men to defeat the will of the people."

The attorneys for the contestant urged before the committee that our own court had held a number of times that an elector could not voluntarily disclose for whom he had voted, and cited the case of *The People vs. Cicott*, reported in the 16 Mich., as holding that doctrine. We find by examination of that case that it holds exactly the contrary doctrine. At page 313, Justice Christiancy, in a very ably written opinion, which is concurred in as to the question at issue by Justice Cooley, uses the following language: "But careful as the law has been to guard the secret of the

elector's vote till he sees fit to disclose it, that secrecy is, it seems to me, in its nature and purpose a personal privilege only, and may be waived by the elector at his option. He may, if he sees fit, testify in court to the vote which he has given. The question of privilege becomes much more important when applied to the case of a voter whose qualifications are denied. It is clear that this privilege of secrecy is given only to those who are recognized by the constitution as electors. And whenever the person who has voted admits that he was not constitutionally qualified, or the fact clearly appears, so that it no longer remains a question for the jury, he can claim no protection from this privilege, but when his qualification is a disputed question of fact, which is determined by the jury in rendering their verdict, he cannot be compelled to disclose his vote."

We are unable to find that our own court has ever held that where a voter is willing to waive his right of secrecy, that the testimony of the contents of his ballot should not be received. We therefore contend that the sitting member should have been permitted to prove by the witnesses subpoenaed before your committee for whom they voted. If the proof had been received and the facts established as claimed, whatever votes were cast by unregistered voters should be deducted from the contestant's vote in the township of Taymouth, by thus ascertaining the number of illegal votes cast, and for whom they were cast. The vote in said precinct would be purged of all fraud or irregularity, and the remaining votes which would be legal, would be counted for the candidates for said office. The vote of an entire precinct should not be rejected unless it is impossible to separate the legal from the illegal votes.

In *McCrary on Elections*, page 325, we find this language: "The power to reject an entire poll, is certainly a dangerous power, and though it belongs to whatever tribunal has jurisdiction to pass upon the merits of a contestant election case, it should be exercised only in an extreme case, that is to say, a case that it is impossible to ascertain with reasonable certainty the true vote."

"Power to throw out the vote of an entire precinct should be exercised only under circumstances which demonstrate beyond reasonable doubt that there has been such disregard of law or such fraud, that is impossible to distinguish what votes were lawful and what were unlawful, or to arrive at any certain result whatever, or where the great body of the voters have been prevented from exercising their rights by violence or intimidation."

If, as the contestee claims, the votes cast by unregistered voters in said precinct were all cast for the contestant, it would seem to us a most unjust rule that would allow the contestant who received all the illegal votes to profit thereby. The sitting member was in no way responsible for any irregularities that have been shown to exist in said township of Taymouth, or any other township, and in the case of *Lindstrom vs. the Board of Canvassers*, 94 Mich., 469, the court recognize the following to be the rule:

"It may be stated, as a general rule, that the provisions of law relating to the manner of conducting elections will not be held so far mandatory as that a departure therefrom will result in the disfranchisement of a district or a class of voters, or the defeat of a candidate himself free from fraud, except in cases where the legislative intent that such departure shall have that effect is clearly, unequivocally expressed. This is a rule which has been applied in this State."

Inasmuch as there is no showing that the sitting member was in any way responsible for any irregularities and had subpoenaed the witnesses

and offered the proof for the purpose of purging the election in said precinct from any fraud, but was not permitted to do so, we believe that a great injustice would be done by rejecting the entire voting precinct. There was no proof laid before the committee that the contestant was deprived of a single vote in said township of Taymouth, by reason of any irregularities in the manner of conducting said election. If it had been known on election day that the persons who presented their votes were not registered, they no doubt would have been challenged by the challenger representing the Silver party.

It appeared on the registration book of said precinct that the letter "R" was written opposite some names on said registration list, and it was claimed by the contestant that those persons were not registered for the reason that the letter "R" written opposite their names indicated that they had removed their residence from said township of Taymouth. The statute provides that "at every session of the board of registration in township or ward, after the year one thousand eight hundred fifty-nine, it shall be their duty to review the list of names in their register, and if it shall have come to their knowledge that any person whose name has been registered, has died, or has removed therefrom, and ceased to reside therein, they shall place the letter "D" against the name of the deceased person, and the letter "R" against the name of the person who has so removed, with the date of the entry, and the initials of the member making it, so as to show by whom and when made, and thereafter such names shall be considered and treated as no longer on the list, and shall be omitted in the copies above provided for. Opposite the names, which was claimed by the contestant to have been removed by the registration board, no date or initials appeared. The writing of the letter "R" opposite the names without the date and initials of the member of the board would not be such a compliance with the statute as to the remove the name from the registration list.

In the recanvass of the votes in said township of Taymouth, 152 votes were credited to Mr. Baird, and 265 to Mr. Kerr.

In the township of Buena Vista there is no proof that the election was not conducted in accordance with the law. Some testimony was given that a few of the voters were assisted, but it appeared that the instructions were given in a general way, and there is no evidence that any one was assisted in marking their ballots.

The ballots were canvassed by the committee, and Mr. Baird was credited with 282 votes, and Mr. Kerr with 308. The minority of the committee believe that three votes marked at the head of the Republican ticket should have been counted for the contestant, and three at the head of the silver ticket should have been counted for the sitting member. But as the majority in that precinct would be the same it would be immaterial whether those six ballots were counted or not. One ticket was counted for the contestant, the description of which appears on page 183 of the testimony. The minority of the committee contend that one ballot counted for the contestant should have been rejected. On one corner of the face of the ballot appeared several pencil marks describing an oval over one-half inch in diameter.

We therefore find that in said township of Buena Vista the contestant, Mr. Baird, should be credited with 281 votes and the sitting member with 308.

the protest of the sitting member, who claimed that the ballot box was not properly kept to preserve the integrity of the ballots. On pages 478 and 479 of the testimony the box is described by the chairman of the committee as follows:

"The box is a pine box, made of plain lumber about 18 inches by two feet and probably 18 to 20 inches high. The cover is made to slide out of one end, fastened with a key lock, operated by a key, over the key hole of which there is a piece of canvass, sealed upon the upper end with glue, and at the lower end, presumably over the key hole, by some red sealing wax. The impression of only a very few letters of the seal is left upon the wax, which is accounted for by the supervisor in his testimony." The minority of the committee as appears on page 479 of the testimony, claim that there was no impression of the seal of the township, or any seal at all on the sealing wax. The result of the ballot as declared by the chairman of the committee is as follows:

"Of the ballots of Maple Grove, 16 are rejected by the committee, which are two marks in the circle at the head of the Silver and Democratic ticket, one at the head of the Prohibition, Silver, Democratic and National; and in the tickets that have been counted, there was one bearing no mark except a blot in purple ink about an inch square over the circle at the top of the Silver ticket, which was counted for Mr. Kerr. At the head of another ballot a voter had evidently placed a cross in the circle at the head of the Silver ticket and erased the same so that the ink was entirely erased, only showing the scar of the mark, and then had placed a plain mark in the circle at the head of the Republican ticket, which ballot was counted, under objections, for Mr. Baird. Upon one ballot marked straight Republican ticket, upon the back of the ballot appears "Challenged 146," immediately under the initials of the inspector, which is among the number of ballots counted for Mr. Baird. One ballot also being straight Republican marked "Challenged 91" counted for Mr. Baird, and the balance of the ballots found in the box counted, there is a total of 360, of which 230 are credited to Mr. Kerr and 138 to Mr. Baird.

The minority of the committee contend that the ticket marked in the circle at the head of the Silver ticket, and also at the head of the Republican ticket, should not have been counted for Mr. Baird; also the two tickets marked on the back, one with the words "Challenged 146" and the other with the words "Challenged 91," should not have been counted for Mr. Baird, and that the two tickets marked at the head of the Silver and Democratic tickets and one at the head of the Prohibition, Democratic, Silver and National, should have been counted for the sitting member, Mr. Kerr, there was but one candidate for Representative voted for on said tickets. We therefore find that there should be credited to Mr. Baird 135 votes and to Mr. Kerr 233 votes, in the township of Maple Grove.

In the township of Albee, there were several persons assisted in marking their ballots by two different members of the board of election inspectors. No member of the board was appointed at the opening of the polls on election day, or at any time or at any time during the day, for the purpose of assisting voters in preparing their ballots. Both the Silver and Republican parties were represented by challengers who were present during the entire day, and witnessed the assistance given voters by the members of the board. The result of the recount by the committee, as declared by the chairman was as follows: The total number of votes credited to both

parties was 180, of which 98 were credited to Mr. Baird and 82 to Mr. Kerr. One ticket, marked at the head of the Democratic and Silver tickets was rejected by the majority of the committee, which the undersigned members of the committee believe should be counted for Mr. Kerr, and one ticket marked in the circle at the head of the Republican and Democrat tickets, should be counted for the contestant. We therefore find that the contestant should be credited with 99 votes and the sitting member with 83, in the township of Albee.

It appears in the testimony taken before the committee that in the township of Chesaning five or six voters were assisted in marking their tickets without being first sworn as to their inability to read or write the English language. The result of the recanvass of the votes in said township of Chesaning, as declared by the chairman of the committee is as follows: Mr. Baird, 316; and Mr. Kerr, 262.

Both parties consenting, the ballots of the township of Blumfield were not recanvassed by the committee. Hence the result of said township of Blumfield stands as certified by the board of canvassers.

In the township of Bridgeport, four or five voters were assisted in marking their tickets by members of the board of election inspectors. From the testimony it appears that the board did not designate any one of its members for the purpose of assisting voters. The ballot box was opened in said township of Bridgeport and the ballots recounted, against the protest of the sitting member, Mr. Kerr, for the reason that he claimed the ballot box was not properly sealed. The description of the box appears on page 558 of the testimony. The result of the ballot as declared by the majority of the committee, was as follows: Mr. Baird is credited with 259 votes and Mr. Kerr with 184. One ticket which is described on page 562 of the testimony as being marked through the circle at the head of the Republican ticket with a straight line, was counted for the contestant. The undersigned members of the committee contend that this ticket should have been rejected for the reason that there was no cross, simply a straight line through the circle at the head of the Republican ticket. While the statute requires a cross at the head of the ticket, we are willing to concede that the straight line clearly indicates the intention of the voter, and we would not insist on rejecting the ballot were it not for the fact that it was agreed by the members of the committee in the early part of the investigation, that no ballots would be counted unless some part of the cross, indicating the voter's intention, was inside of the circle. In another precinct one ballot was rejected which was marked at the head of the Silver ticket with a straight line drawn through the circle, and if this ticket should be counted for the contestant, then the vote for Mr. Kerr, which was indicated by a straight line at the head of the Silver ticket should be counted also. If one is rejected, the other should be rejected; and if one is counted, the other should be counted.

One ticket, as appears also on page 562 of the testimony, marked in the center of the circle at the head of the Republican ticket with a dot, was canvassed by a majority of the committee for Mr. Baird. There was not the slightest attempt to make a cross in said circle, and the ruling in counting said vote in favor of the contestant was not in accordance with the agreement among the members of the committee on the outset, that no ticket should be counted unless some part of the cross appeared on the circle. This ticket should be rejected.

The tickets marked at the head of both the Republican and Prohibition tickets, which were rejected, should have been counted for Mr. Baird. One ticket was counted for Mr. Baird which was marked in the circle at at the head of the Republican ticket, and on the back of said ticket were two crosses made by the stamp used for the purpose of indicating the voter's choice. The minority of the committee would have no objections to counting this ticket were it not for the fact that two ballots marked at the head of the Silver ticket, one, upon the back of which appears the figures "167," written with a lead pencil, and the other upon the back of which appears the words "No. 1," which the majority of the committee rejected. The same rule should govern the canvass of the ticket marked with two crosses on the back made by the stamp that is applied to the canvass of the ballots marked at the head of the Silver ticket, and upon the back of which appears the figures "167" and "No. 1." One ticket marked with a cross in the circle at the head of the Silver ticket contained on the right hand margin of the ticket a very slight impression of the stamp. This ticket was rejected by the majority of the committee, the minority contending that it should be counted for the reason that many tickets were counted for both contestant and the sitting member, in the different precincts, that contained more than one cross outside of the circle, and that whenever a cross appeared in the circle, the ticket was counted. The description of the above tickets appears on pages 561, 562, 563 and 564 of the testimony. If the minority of the committee are correct in passing upon the disputed votes above described, the contestant should be credited in the township of Bridgeport with 253 votes and the sitting member with 186.

The ballot box in the township of Zilwaukee was subpoenaed before the committee and the description of the box before being opened appears on page 492 of the testimony. Upon the box being presented before the committee, the contestee objected to the box being opened and the ballots recanvassed for the reason that the box was not properly sealed, and the evidence discloses the fact that the ballots were not kept in a manner to preserve their integrity. The box was ordered opened by the chairman of the committee and it appeared from the recount that out of 207 votes cast for the office of representative to the State legislature, the contestant received 161 and the sitting member 46.

It appears from the testimony that the contestant was, and still is supervisor of the township of Zilwaukee. That after the ballot box, produced before the committee, from said township of Zilwaukee was purchased by that township, the lock was broken and a new lock was replaced which was purchased at Morley Bros., in the city of Saginaw, by Mr. Baird, and that he received with said lock two keys. The evidence of the township clerk beginning on page 575 of the record, shows that after the election in said township, on the third day of last November, the ballot box, the seal and one key were left in the town hall for at least two days after said election. That the extra key and ballot box have been kept in said hall nearly all the time since said election. That a part of said hall is used as the office of the clerk and supervisor of said township. We submit that keeping the ballots after election in the same room with the key and seal is not in accordance with the requirements of the statute, and does not preserve the integrity of the ballot sufficient to permit a recount of said ballots, and that the objection made by the sitting member to the opening of said ballot box and the

recounting of the ballots therein, should have been sustained. It might be well to quote the statute upon this point. The public acts of 1891, section 37:

"After the ballots are counted, they shall, together with only one tally sheet, be placed in the ballot box which shall be securely sealed in such a manner that it cannot be opened without breaking such seal. The ballot box shall then be placed in charge of the township clerk, but the key of said ballot box shall be held by the chairman of the board, and the election seal in the hands of one of the other inspectors of election."

We submit that the ballots in the township of Zilwaukee have been kept in a manner that they are no longer primary evidence of the result at said election. In McCrary on Elections, page 295, we find the rule to be as follows:

"In order to continue the ballots controlling as evidence, it must appear that they have been preserved in the manner and by the officers prescribed in the statute, and that while in such custody they have not been so exposed to the reach of unauthorized persons as to afford a reasonable probability of their having been changed or tampered with. If there has been an opportunity for tampering with ballots, they lose their character as primary evidence."

The People vs. Cicott, 16 Mich., 283.

We therefore contend that the result of the vote for the office of Representative in the township of Zilwaukee should remain as declared by the board of canvassers.

In said township of Zilwaukee, there were voters assisted in marking their tickets who were not first sworn as to their disability to read and write the English language, and whose disability was not apparent to the board. Two persons were registered in said township on the third day of November, election day, who it appears were in the township on registration day, and the only excuse they had for not presenting their names for registration on registration day, was because they supposed the board remained in session until eight o'clock in the evening. This we submit, was not a legal excuse. Said voters were interrogated as to whether or not they would take the oath required by law, and they refused to do so, but were permitted to vote.

The undersigned members of the committee find that the vote for the office of Representative in the second district of Saginaw county, to be as follows:

	Mr. Baird	Mr. Kerr
Birch Run	174	210
Frankenmuth	160	248
Spalding	65	87
Taymouth	152	265
Buena Vista	281	308
Maple Grove	135	233
Albee	99	83
Chesaning	316	262
Blumfield	209	100
Bridgeport	258	186
Zilwaukee	149	55
Totals	1,998	2,037
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The undersigned members of the committee upon a fair and impartial consideration of the facts placed before us by the parties to this contest, do not find any fraud in the several precincts of said legislative district that would change the result as found by the board of canvassers. We are unable to find that by reason of any irregularities shown to exist in the manner of conducting the election in said district, that the contestant was deprived of a single vote. It would be a dangerous and unjust finding to disfranchise many hundred voters, because of slight irregularities on the part of the election boards. After a careful consideration of the facts we are of the opinion that James Kerr was honestly and lawfully elected to the seat he now occupies in the House.

Dewitt Vought,
James Scully.

Your committee desire to especially commend the splendid, rapid and accurate work done for it during and through this entire investigation by Mr. Charles H. McGurrin, the very able stenographer who was selected to accompany the committee to Saginaw to take and transcribe the notes concerning this investigation. We are very happy to say that in our opinion the rapidity and accuracy of the work performed by Mr. McGurrin has aided the committee very materially in dispatching the work.

We also take pleasure in commending the efficient work of the Sergeant-at-Arms, William E. Stocking, who in the worst of winter weather, traveled night and day many of the townships of the county of Saginaw within the second legislative district to rapidly serve process upon needed witnesses, and who, by his efficient labor and his very careful attention to the duties assigned him, materially shortened the work of your committee and lessened the cost incurred through this investigation.

F. C. Chamberlain.
W. R. Edgar.
J. H. Anderson.
James Scully.
Dewitt Vought.

Report accepted.

Mr. Chamberlain offered the following:

Resolved, That the report of the select committee on the Baird-Kerr contest be made a special order for Tuesday, March 2, at 7:30 o'clock p. m;

Which was adopted, two-thirds of the members present voting therefor.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Speaker announced the following:

STATE OF MICHIGAN,
EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Lansing, February 19, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved, signed and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State,

House bill No. 873, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 14 of act No. 206 of the public acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy (and collection) of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal act No. 200 of the public acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in any wise contravening any of the provisions of this act."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Kerr, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 874, entitled,

A bill to amend an act, entitled "Act No. 437 of the local acts of 1895 to provide for the election of two justices of the peace, and for the appointment of a justice clerk, in and for the city of Saginaw, and to define the jurisdiction, and to fix the compensation and to abolish and discontinue the five offices of justices of the peace of the said city, upon the expiration of the terms of the present incumbents thereof, and to provide for the filing of the files, records and dockets belonging to or appertaining to the offices abolished and discontinued, and for the insurance of executions upon judgments appearing on said dockets, and to repeal all provisions of the charter of the city of Saginaw, and of all other acts or parts of acts in anywise contravening this act."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Kerr,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Rulison, unanimous consent being, given, introduced

House bill No. 875, entitled

A bill to provide for refunding by the State of railroad fares paid by students attending any of the State Normal Schools of this State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Rulison,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Oberdorffer, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 876, entitled

A bill to authorize the city of Menominee to re-assess certain paying taxes that have been, or that hereafter may be adjudged invalid.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Oberdorffer,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Oberdorffer, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 877, entitled

A bill to provide for three voting precincts in the township of Stephen, county of Menominee.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Oberdorffer,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Peek, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 833, entitled

A bill to unite school districts Nos. 1 and 17 of the city of Jackson and townships of Blackman and Summit, to organize and define the powers of the board of education of the consolidated district, and to provide for a registration of electors and for holding elections therein.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on education.

Mr. Dudley, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 834, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 16 and 17 of act No. 190, of the public acts of 1891 as amended by act No. 202 of the public acts of 1893, entitled, "An act to prescribe the manner of conducting and preventing fraud and deception at elections in this State."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Dudley,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Dudley, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 835, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 190 of the public acts of 1891, entitled "An act to prescribe the manner of conducting and to prevent fraud and deception at elections in this State," by adding a new section to stand as section 47.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Dudley,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Connors, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 836, entitled

A bill to amend section 84, of act No. 206, of the public acts of 1893, being an act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied, making such tax a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes and for the inspection and distribution of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased, and to repeal act No. 200, of the public acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act, as amended by act No. 154, of the public acts of 1895.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Lusk, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 837, entitled

A bill to provide for the election and appointment of a board of county auditors for the county of Bay, and to define their duties, fix their compensation, etc.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Lusk,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Lusk, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 838, entitled

A bill to provide for the appointment of a legal adviser, and to fix his term of office, compensation, etc.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Lusk, the bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Lusk, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 839, entitled,

A bill to amend section 107, chapter 17, of Howell's annotations respecting appointment of notaries public and fee for commission.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Lusk,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Lusk, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 840, entitled

A bill to provide for the purchase and use of Michigan prison State institution, and to make provision for the appointment of a commission to carry out the provisions of this bill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and its reference to a committee.

On motion of Mr. Lusk,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Lusk, previous notice having been given and leave introduced

House bill No. 841, entitled

A bill to revise and amend the charter of the city of Bay City, to define and enlarge the boundaries of said city so as to include West Bay City and the village of Essexville; to provide for the payment of the indebtedness and liabilities of the city of Bay City and West Bay City and the village of Essexville; to provide for the ownership of all their corporate property and rights and to provide for the corporate rights, powers and privileges of said city of Bay City, all acts inconsistent herewith.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Lusk,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Lusk, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 842, entitled

A bill to compel dealers in ice to designate quality of ice wagons and to provide for a license by the board of health of the common council of cities or villages.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Lusk,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Lusk, previous notice having been given and leave introduced

House bill No. 843, entitled

A bill to amend and revise the charter of West Bay City, all acts and parts of acts inconsistent therewith.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Lusk,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Lusk, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 844, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 2 of the charter of West Bay City by changing the name of said city.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Lusk,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Lusk, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 845, entitled

A bill to require the surety on the bonds given by county officials of this State to be a surety or guaranty company.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Lusk,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Lusk, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 846, entitled

A bill to authorize cities to issue bonds for the construction and ownership of telephone lines within their corporate limits and also by cities in counties contiguous to each other.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Lusk,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Lusk, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 847, entitled

A bill making an appropriation for installing an electric light plant in the capitol building and equipping said building with an additional elevator, etc.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Lusk,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Lusk, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 848, entitled

A bill to constitute the president of the village of Essexville ex officio member of the board of supervisors of Bay county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Lusk, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 849, entitled

A bill to amend an act, entitled "An act to provide for the formation of street railway companies," approved March 5, 1897, by adding a new section thereto.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Lusk, unanimous consent having been granted, introduced

House bill No. 850, entitled

A bill to require the surety on the bond given by this State to be a surety or guaranty company.

The bill was read a first and second time by its committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Lusk, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 851, entitled

A bill to amend an act, entitled "An act to provide for the East Saginaw and Au Sable State road in known as the Kawkawlin road, to be known as the sion of the Kawkawlin road," and to provide for the ment of the same, being act No. 135 of public acts.

The bill was read a first and second time by its committee on Roads and Bridges.

Mr. Lusk, unanimous consent having been granted, introduced

House bill No. 852, entitled

A bill to repeal act No. 286 of the local acts entitled "An act to fix the salary of the probate judge."

The bill was read a first and second time by its committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Lusk (by request), unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 853, entitled

A bill to detach the township of Wisner from the attach the same to Bay county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Lusk, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 854, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to establish Bay county and to provide for the appointment and sioners and for the construction, care and maintenance approved January 28, 1889, being act No. 278 of the public acts."

The bill was read a first and second time by its committee on Roads and Bridges.

Mr. Lusk, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 855, entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of act No. 206, of the public acts, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of (and collection) of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes here and hereafter levied, making such taxes a lien on the property of the owner, and for the establishment and continuing such lien, providing for the sale of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased, being act No. 200 of the public acts of 1891, and all other acts in anywise contravening the provisions of this act."

The bill was read a first and second time by its committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Lusk, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 856, entitled

A bill to prohibit public officers from soliciting or accepting passes, favors or free transportation from any railroad company, street railroad company, steamboat or transportation company, or any other corporation engaged in carrying passengers.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Railroads.

Mr. Foster, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 857, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 59 of Act 206 of 1893, being "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal act No. 200 of the public acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Foster,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Foster, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 858, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 8 and 20 of act No. 313 of the public acts of 1887, entitled, "An act to provide for the taxation and regulation of the business of manufacturing, selling, keeping for sale, furnishing, giving or delivering spirituous and intoxicating liquors and vinous liquors in this State, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act," the same being Sec. 2283d1, 2283e3.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Foster,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Molster, previous notice having been given and leave being granted introduced

House bill No. 859, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 2, 3, 6, 7 and 8 of an act, entitled, "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to provide a charter for the city of Detroit, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith,' approved June 7, 1883, by adding a new chapter thereto, approved March 18, 1893.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee

On motion of Mr. Molster,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Molster, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 860, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 4 of chapter 55, of the compiled laws of 1871 and acts amendatory thereof, being compiler's section 2015 and 2018 of Howell's annotated statutes, relating to the observance of the first day of the week.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Molster,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Molster, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 861, entitled

A bill to amend sections 2 and 15 of act No. 184 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the inspection of all manufacturing establishments and workshops in this State, and to provide for the enforcement, regulation and inspection of such establishments and the employment of women and children therein," approved May 22, 1895.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Molster,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Molster, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 862, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of act No. 95 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the compulsory education of children, for the punishment of truancy, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts conflicting with the provisions of the same," approved April 26, 1895.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Molster,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Kelly, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 863, entitled

A bill to revise and amend the charter of the city of Muskegon, and to repeal all conflicting acts relating thereto.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Kelly, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 864, entitled

A bill to regulate the use of public records in evidence.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Kelly,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Whitney, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 865, entitled

A bill to legalize taxes in the city of North Muskegon for the years 1895 and 1896.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Whitney,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Zimmerman, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 866, entitled

A bill to amend and revise the charter of the city of Marine City and to repeal and amend all acts in conflict herewith.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Zimmerman,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Zimmerman, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 867, entitled

A bill to provide for an appropriation for the maintenance of the hospitals of the University of Michigan during the summer vacations.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on University.

Mr. Connors, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 868, entitled

A bill declaring the city (formerly the village) of Sault Ste. Marie, in Chippewa county, to have a valid and subsisting lien on certain lands within its limits for village taxes heretofore levied and assessed thereon by the village of Sault Ste. Marie, and to provide additional remedies for enforcing said lien and collecting said taxes, and for the re-assessment and collection of certain of said taxes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Connors,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Connors, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 869, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory now comprising Portage township, in Mackinac county, and attach the same to Luce county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Connors,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Otis, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 870, entitled

A bill to amend sections 31, 39 and 52 of act No. 205 of the public acts of 1887, entitled "An act to revise the laws authorizing the business of banking, and to establish a banking department for the supervision of such business," approved June 21, 1887, the same being sections 3208c, 3208d7, and 3208f1 of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan, volume 3.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Clute, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 871, entitled

A bill to prohibit catching or taking fish in any of the lakes or streams of Calhoun county in any other manner than with hook and line.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fish and Game.

Mr. Clute, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 872, entitled

A bill for the taxation of real estate mortgages.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Clute, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 873, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 14 of act No. 206 of the tled "An act to provide for the assessment of p collection) of taxes thereon, and for the collectio hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the and continuing such lien, providing for the sale delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; of the public acts of 1891, and all other acts and contravening any of the provisions of this act."

The bill was read a first and second time by its committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Kerr, unanimous consent being given, introduced House bill No. 874, entitled,

A bill to amend an act, entitled "Act No. 437 to provide for the election of two justices of the pe ment of a justice clerk, in and for the city of Saginaw jurisdiction, and to fix the compensation and to the five offices of justices of the peace of the said of the terms of the present incumbents thereof, filing of the files, records and dockets belonging offices abolished and discontinued, and for the upon judgments appearing on said dockets, and to the charter of the city of Saginaw, and of all other anywise contravening this act."

The bill was read a first and second time by its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Kerr,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Rulison, unanimous consent being, given, introduced House bill No. 875, entitled

A bill to provide for refunding by the State of students attending any of the State Normal School

The bill was read a first and second time by its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Rulison,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Oberdorffer, unanimous consent being given, introduced House bill No. 876, entitled

A bill to authorize the city of Menominee to taxes that have been, or that hereafter may be adju

The bill was read a first and second time by its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Oberdorffer,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Oberdorffer, unanimous consent being given, introduced House bill No. 877, entitled

A bill to provide for three voting precincts in the son, county of Menominee.

The bill was read a first and second time by its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Oberdorffer,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Oberdorfer, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 878, entitled

A bill for the purpose of legalizing the assessment of certain taxes in the township of Stephenson, county of Menominee.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Oberdorfer,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Oberdorfer, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill 879, entitled

A bill to authorize the city of Menominee to re-assess certain sewer taxes which have been or that may hereafter be adjudged invalid.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Oberdorfer,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Oberdorfer, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 880, entitled

A bill to authorize the city of Menominee to borrow money and to issue bonds therefor, to pay and discharge the principal and interest of the bonds bearing date November 15, 1892, which were issued in anticipation of the receipts from certain special assessments, and which remain unpaid.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Oberdorfer,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. McGill, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 881, entitled

A bill to provide for the punishment for blackmail.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. McGill,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. McGill, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 882, entitled

A bill to enable the Pythian Temple Company, Limited, of Grand Rapids, to issue preferred stock for the liquidation of any of its indebtedness.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. McGill,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. McGill, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 883, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 192, laws of 1879, being Sec. 9315 of Howell's annotated statutes, relative to the punishment of libel and slander, as amended by act No. 210 of session laws of 1885.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. McGill,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. McGill, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 884, entitled

A bill to provide a punishment for libel and slander, and to repeal all acts inconsistent herewith.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. McGill,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. McGill, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 885, entitled

A bill to establish a recorder's court in the city of Grand Rapids, to transfer the business of the police court in said city to such recorder's court, and to abolish said police court.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. McGill,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. McGill, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 886, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 168, of the public acts of 1881, being entitled "An act to provide for the assessment and taxation of telegraph and telephone lines within the State of Michigan, and to repeal act No. 77, of the session laws of 1879, approved May 20, 1879."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. McGill,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Edgar, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 887, entitled

A bill to protect women and children from criminal assault, and to prevent the propagation of criminals.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Edgar, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 888, entitled

A bill to provide for the holding of primaries in the several cities, villages and townships of this State, to punish frauds thereon, and by delegates elected thereat, and the corruption and attempted corruption of such delegates, and to repeal act No. 135 of the public acts of 1895, and other inconsistent acts.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Edgar,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. E. W. Moore, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 889, entitled

A bill to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors in certain territory.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. E. W. Moore, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill 890, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 66 of the revised statutes of 1846, being section 5733 of second volume of Howell's annotated statutes of the State of Michigan, entitled "Estates in dower and by the courtesy."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee.

On motion of Mr. E. W. Moore,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. E. W. Moore, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 891, entitled

A bill to amend sections No. 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 27, 30, and 61 of act No. 53 of the session laws of 1859, entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Battle Creek, approved February 3, 1859," as revised and amended by the several acts revisionary and amendatory thereof, as amended by act No. 428 of the session laws of 1867, approved April 9, 1867, and as amended by an act No. 384 of the session laws of 1889, and as amended by act 331 of the session laws of 1891, approved May 22, 1891, and as amended by act No. 312 of the session laws of 1893, approved March 22, 1893, and as amended by act No. 418 of the session laws of 1895, approved May 17, 1895.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. E. W. Moore,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Donovan, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 892, entitled

A bill to establish a sinking fund commission in the county of Bay, and to authorize the board of supervisors to levy a tax to create a sinking fund to provide for the payment of county bonds as they become due.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Donovan,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Donovan, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 893, entitled

A bill to encourage the growing and preservation of forests, to create forest boards and forest reserve areas, and to make appropriation therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Donovan,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Donovan (by request), unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 894, entitled

A bill to amend section 3 of act No. 59 of the session laws of 1891, entitled "An act for the incorporation of associations for yachting, hunting, fishing, boating, rowing and other lawful sporting purposes," approved May 6, 1891, the same being section 4818 and 4819, of Howell's annotated statutes of the State of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Donovan,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Donovan, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 895, entitled

A bill to change the name of Margaret Matilda Hutchinson of Bay county to Margaret Matilda Shearer.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Donovan,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Donovan, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 896, entitled

A bill to authorize the board of supervisors of the county of Bay to levy a tax to create a sinking fund to provide for the payment of county bonds as they become due.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Donovan

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Donovan, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 897, entitled

A bill to provide for the enactment of a drain law and to repeal all acts or parts of acts in conflict therewith.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Donovan

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Donovan, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 898, entitled

A bill to provide for the appointment and election of a board of county auditors for Bay county, and to prescribe their powers and duties, and to fix their compensation.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Donovan,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Belknap, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 899, entitled

A bill to provide for the regulation and payment of fire insurance premiums in this State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Belknap,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Belknap, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 900, entitled

A bill to regulate the fees to be paid at the office of the clerk of the Supreme Court and provide the compensation to be paid to the clerk of the Supreme Court, his clerks or deputies.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Belknap,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Belknap, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 901, entitled

A bill to amend section 11 of act No. 187, of the public acts of 1887, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of co-operative and mutual benefit associations, and to define the powers and duties and regulate the transaction of the business of all such corporations

and associations doing business within this State, and to add two new sections thereto, to stand as sections 31 and 32.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Belknap,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Widoe, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 902, entitled

A bill making appropriation for Upper Peninsula Prison.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Upper Peninsula Prison.

Mr. Widoe, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 903, entitled

A bill to regulate the granting of relief to indigent war veterans and their families.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Widoe, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 904, entitled

A bill to define what constitutes inland lakes in this State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Widoe, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 905, entitled

A bill to enable cities, towns and villages, organized under any general or special law, to levy and collect a tax or license fee from foreign fire insurance companies for the benefit of organized fire departments.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Insurance.

Mr. Widoe, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 906, entitled

A bill regarding fees for the incorporation and the increase of capital stock of companies and corporations in this State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Teft, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 907, entitled

A bill for the protection of fish in the lake known as Swain's Lake, in the township of Pulaski, Jackson county, for a period of five years.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Teft, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 908, entitled

A bill to authorize the city of Jackson to provide for, construct, equip and maintain an electric lighting plant in the city of Jackson and to borrow the necessary money therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. F. M. Shepard, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 909, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 147 of the public acts of 1891, entitled, "An act to provide for the election of a county commissioner of schools for the

appointment of school examiners, and to define the compensation for the same, and to repeal all existing acts conflicting with the provisions of this act."

The bill was read a first and second time by its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. F. M. Shepard,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Marsilje, unanimous consent being given, introduced House bill No. 910, entitled

A bill to provide for the lawful taking of German of Black river lake, also known as Macatawa bay, from the streams, tributary thereto.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Gillam, unanimous consent being given, introduced House bill No. 911, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the townships of Gladwin and to organize the township of

The bill was read a first and second time by its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Gillam,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Gillam, unanimous consent being given, introduced House bill No. 912, entitled

A bill to provide for the compulsory attendance of children in the common schools

The bill was read a first and second time by its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Gillam,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Gillam, unanimous consent being given, introduced House bill No. 913, entitled

A bill to legalize the spearing of white fish, grasshopper Lake in the county of Roscommon.

The bill was read a first and second time by its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Gillam,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Gillam, unanimous consent being given, introduced House bill No. 914, entitled

A bill making the president of the village of Roscommon, ex officio, a member of the board of supervisors of Roscommon.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Gillam, unanimous consent being given, introduced House bill No. 915, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the township of Gladwin county, State of Michigan, and to organize the same in said county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title committee on Town and Counties.

House bill No. 916, entitled

A bill to amend section one of an act entitled "An act to designate the holidays to be observed in the acceptance and payment of bills of exchange and promissory notes, in the holding of courts and relative to the continuance of suits, approved March 8, 1866, as amended, and to amend section two of said act as added by act No. 185 of the public acts of 1895

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Gillam, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 917, entitled

A bill to incorporate the public schools of the township of Foster, Ogemaw county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Gillam, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 918, entitled

A bill to authorize the township of Arenac in the county of Arenac, to borrow money on its bonds for the improvement with stone of certain highways in that township and to appoint a special commissioner to make such improvements.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Gillam (for Mr. Lee), unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 919, entitled

A bill to prescribe what shall be murder in the first degree, and to provide a penalty therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Stewart, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 920, entitled

A bill to repeal act No. 10 of the laws of 1895, entitled "An act to establish a board of health for the city of Detroit."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Stewart,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Stewart, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 921, entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of act No. 233 of the session laws of 1869, entitled "An act relative to free schools in the city of Detroit," as amended by subsequent acts.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Stewart, the bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Wetherbee, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 922, entitled

A bill to provide for the approval by the Attorney General and registration by the State Treasurer of all bonds hereafter issued by any county, township, village, city or school district in Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Wetherbee,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Eikhoff, unanimous consent being given, in
House bill No. 923, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 9 and 10 of Chap. 10 of the
Detroit relating to the assessment of taxes and
provide for the payment of taxes in July and Jan

The bill was read a first and second time by its
reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Eikhoff,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Wetherbee, unanimous consent being given
House bill No. 924, entitled

A bill to repeal sections 1 and 5 of the public ac
act to regulate the admission to practice of attorn
selors, to provide for a board of examiners, and to

The bill was read a first and second time by its
reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Wetherbee,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Wetherbee, unanimous consent being given,
House bill No. 925, entitled

A bill relative to the confinement in this State of
sentenced by the courts of the United States or of

The bill was read a first and second time by its
reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Wetherbee,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Wetherbee, unanimous consent being given,
House bill No. 926, entitled

A bill to establish in the city of Detroit a munic
diction inferior to the circuit court of Wayne count
known as the civil court of the city of Detroit.

The bill was read a first and second time by its
reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Wetherbee,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Wetherbee, unanimous consent being given,
House bill No. 927, entitled

A bill to abolish courts of civil jurisdiction of jus
the city of Detroit, and to repeal act No. 460 of the
for the year 1895, and all acts and parts of acts contr
of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its
reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Wetherbee,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Wetherbee, unanimous consent having been g
granted, introduced

House bill No. 928, entitled

A bill to repeal act No. 326, of the local acts of 18
to constitute and make the members of the board of

the city of Detroit members of the board of superintendents of the poor of the county of Wayne.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Caldwell, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 929, entitled

A bill to empower the board of school inspectors of the township of Richland, Missaukee county, to establish a school district in said township.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Caldwell,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Caldwell, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 930, entitled

A bill disorganizing the village of Harrietta in the county of Wexford, Michigan, and to provide for the payment of its indebtedness.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Village Corporations.

Mr. Foote, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 931, entitled

A bill for the establishment of a stenographic examining board for the State of Michigan, defining its duties and authority, and providing for the appointment of such a board.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Foote,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Foote (by request), unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 932, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 8, of act No. 109, of the laws of 1855, entitled "An act to authorize the formation of gas light companies," as amended by subsequent acts, the same being compiler's Sec. 4175 of Howell's annotated statutes, and enlarge the powers and duties of such companies.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Foote,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Colvin, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 933, entitled

A bill to repeal act No. 455, of the local acts of the legislature of this State of 1889, entitled "An act to annex the territory embraced within the city of East Saginaw to that of the city of Saginaw, and to consolidate the city of East Saginaw with Saginaw, under the name of the city of Saginaw; to specify and fix the boundaries of the consolidated city; to provide for the assuming and payment of the indebtedness and liabilities of the present cities of East Saginaw and Saginaw, and for the ownership of all their corporate property and rights; to define the corporate rights, powers and privileges of said city of Saginaw as so consolidated, and to repeal all acts inconsistent herewith," and all acts and parts of acts supplementary thereto and amendatory thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Colvin, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 934, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the county of Saginaw, and to organize the territory so detached into a new county to be known as the county of Hoyt, and to apportion the property and debts of the said county of Hoyt.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Colvin, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 935, entitled

A bill to provide for the appropriation of 5,000 acres of State swamp land, for the purpose of cleaning out Shiawassee river in the county of Saginaw.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Drainage.

Mr. Colvin, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 936, entitled

A bill to require land owners in Saginaw county to clean out the streams running through, adjacent to, or adjoining their lands, and in default thereof to provide for cleaning out such streams and making the expense thereof a lien on such lands.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Colvin, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 937, entitled

A bill to incorporate the city of East Saginaw in the county of Hoyt, and to adjust all accounts, funds, corporate property, indebtedness, liabilities and rights between said city of East Saginaw and the city of Saginaw, in the county of Saginaw, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Colvin, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 938, entitled

A bill to incorporate the city of Saginaw, in the county of Saginaw, and to adjust all accounts, funds, corporate property, indebtedness, liabilities, and rights between said city of Saginaw and the city of East Saginaw, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Henry Eikhoff, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 939, entitled

A bill to amend sections 10 and 12 of act No. 78 of the public acts of 1855, entitled "An act to establish a house of correction for juvenile offenders," as amended by the several acts amendatory thereof, the same being sections 9817 and 9819 respectively of Howell's annotated statutes;

and to add two new sections to said act to stand and be known as sections 11 and 12 respectively, and to renumber sections 11, 12, 13, and 14 of said act consecutively.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Henry Eikhoff, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 940, entitled

A bill to amend section 17 of act No. 313 of the public acts of 1887, entitled "An act to provide for the taxation and regulation of the business of manufacturing, selling, keeping for sale, furnishing, giving or delivering spirituous and intoxicating liquors, and malt, brewed or fermented liquors and vinous liquors in this State, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Eikhoff, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 941, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 2 of chapter 4 of an act entitled "An act to provide a charter for the city of Detroit and to repeal all acts and parts of act in conflict therewith," as amended by the several acts amendatory thereof, approved June 7, 1883.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Eikhoff,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Kimmis for Mr. Madill, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 942, entitled

A bill to prevent any person, firm, corporation or association from reporting, printing, publishing or circulating any statement whatever relative to the financial standing of persons, firms, corporations or associations without their written consent and to fix a penalty therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Kimmis, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 943, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 377 of local acts of 1895 entitled "An act providing for the appointment fixing compensation and defining the duties of stenographer for the probate court for the county of Oakland, etc."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Kimmis,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Williams, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 944, entitled

A bill to amend section 28 of chapter 24, section 7 of chapter 28, sections 2, 10, 11, 12 and 13 of chapter 30, sections 1, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 16 and 19 of chapter 31, and section 15 of chapter 32, of act No. 215 of the public acts of 1895, entitled, "An act to provide for the incorporation of cities of the fourth class."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Williams,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Williams, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 945, entitled

A bill to reorganize the second and ninth judicial circuits and to create the thirty-fifth judicial circuit.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Williams,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Williams, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 946, entitled

A bill providing for the appointment, defining the duties and fixing the compensation of a stenographer for the ninth judicial circuit.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Williams,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Williams, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 947, entitled

A bill providing for the appointment, defining the duties and fixing the compensation of a stenographer for the thirty-fifth judicial circuit.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Williams,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Williams, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 948, entitled

A bill providing for the appointment, defining the duties, and fixing the compensation of a stenographer for the second judicial circuit.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Williams,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Williams, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 949, entitled

A bill to place persons owning or conducting private banks, or receiving deposits under the supervision of, and providing for the inspection of their business by the commissioner of the State banking department.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Williams, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 950, entitled

A bill to preclude the appointment as administrator of the estate of a deceased incompetent person, of any person who, within one year prior to the death of such deceased incompetent person, was the guardian of such deceased incompetent person, except heirs.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Coad, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted introduced

House bill No. 951, entitled

A bill to amend act 58 of the laws of Michigan of 1895, entitled "An act to amend sections 11, 28 and 30 of act 187 of the session laws of 1887, approved June 17, 1887, entitled 'An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of co-operative and mutual benefit associations and to define the powers and duties and regulate the transaction of the business of such corporations and associations doing business within this State,'" and to add a new section thereto to stand as section 31, but amending section 11 of act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Insurance.

Mr. Coad, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 952, entitled

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Mason.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Coad,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Coad, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 953, entitled

A bill to amend the act incorporating the village of Williamston.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Coad,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Coad, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 954, entitled

A bill to amend the act incorporating the village of Leslie.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Coad,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Mayer, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 955, entitled

A bill to provide for the punishment of persons fraudulently connecting, using or obtaining water, electric or gas service or supply.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Mayer, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 956, entitled

A bill to regulate the holding of meetings for running and trotting horse races.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Mayer, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 957, entitled

A bill to regulate the practice of medicine and surgery in the State of Michigan and to provide for the registration of all persons engaged in the practice thereof or the profession or art of healing the sick by any means and to repeal an act, entitled "An act to promote public health," approved

June 6, 1883, and the act approved June 27, 1887, amendatory thereof, being Chap. 72b of the 3d volume of Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Public Health.

Mr. Mayer, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 958, entitled

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Lansing.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Mayer, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 959, entitled

A bill to revise and amend the charter of the city of Lansing.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Scully, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 960, entitled

A bill to prohibit residents of this State from assigning real estate mortgages to non-resident persons or corporations for the purpose of avoiding assessment or payment of taxes on such mortgages and to provide as a penalty that in such case the lien of the mortgage shall be released.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Scully,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Scully, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 961, entitled

A bill to amend sections 5431 and 5432 of the compiled laws of 1871, being sections 6998 and 6999 of Howell's annotated statutes of 1882, relative to appeals from courts held by justices of the peace.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Scully,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Scully, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 962, entitled

A bill to provide for the compensation of the justices of the peace.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Scully,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Scully, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 963, entitled

A bill to amend compiler's section 9499 of Howell's annotated statutes of the State of Michigan, the same being section 10 of chapter 333 of said compilation relating to clerks appointed by grand juries and the evidence taken by such clerks.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to committee,

On motion of Mr. Scully,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Scully, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 964, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 3, 8, 14, 24, 26, 40, 53 and 61 of act No. 206 of the public acts of 1893 of the State of Michigan, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal act No. 200 of the public acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Scully,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Bemis, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 965, entitled

A bill relative to suits for damages for libel or slander.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Gustin, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 966, entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of act No. 49, entitled "An act to authorize proceedings against garnishee and for other purposes," approved March 28, 1849, the same being section 8032 of Howell's Annotated Statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Gustin, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 967, entitled

A bill to regulate the holding of meetings for the running and trotting horse races.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Gustin, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 968, entitled

A bill to provide for the reregistration of electors in the city of Alpena.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Gustin, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 969, entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of act No. 137 of the session laws of 1849, entitled "An act to authorize proceedings against garnishee and for other purposes," approved March 28, 1849, the same being section 8032 of Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Gustin, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 970, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 59 of act 206 of 1893, being, "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal act No. 200 of the public acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Gustin, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 971, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 6 of act No. 188, of the public acts of 1875, entitled "An act to regulate the catching of fish in certain waters of this State."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Gustin, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 972, entitled

A bill to regulate the catching of fish in the waters of this State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Gustin, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 973, entitled

A bill to amend sections 3, 4, 6, 9, 19, 31, 33, 35, 38, 39, 42, 43, 44, 48 and 95 of act No. 249 of the local acts of 1871, entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Alpena," approved March 29, 1871, as amended.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Gustin, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 974, entitled

A bill to vacate the townships of Mount Pindus, Atherton and Harmon in the county of Oscoda and to incorporate their territory within the adjoining and adjacent township of Big Creek in Oscoda county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Gustin, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 975, entitled

A bill to amend sections one and two of act No. 137 of the session laws of 1849 entitled "An act to authorize proceedings against garnishees and for other purposes," the same being sections 8031 and 8033 of Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Billings, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 976, entitled

A bill for regulating the marking of high explosives.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Billings, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 977, entitled

A bill to regulate and to determine the fees to be paid to coroners and justices of the peace for services rendered at inquests.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Billings, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 978, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the township of Negaunee, in Marquette county, and to attach the same to the township of Richmond, in said county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Cities.

Mr. Chamberlain, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 979, entitled

A bill to provide for the collection of delinquent taxes on personal property remaining unpaid after the 1st of March in each year within the several counties of this State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Chamberlain, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 980, entitled

A bill to prohibit all manner of prize fights, glove contests, sparring matches, and all other forms of pugilistic encounters, and to provide a penalty therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Chamberlain, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 981, entitled

A bill to incorporate the public schools of the city of Ironwood in the county of Gogebic, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent therewith.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Chamberlain, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 982, entitled

A bill authorizing organized townships within this State to issue bonds for the payment of claims against such townships which may have been, or which shall hereafter be placed in judgment in any court of competent jurisdiction and to provide for the manner of issuing the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Chamberlain, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 983, entitled

A bill to amend Howell's statutes relative to the providing of bonds in cases of appeals from justices of the peace.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Chamberlain, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 984, entitled

A bill to provide for a uniform style of ballot boxes at all voting precincts within this State where no voting machine is in use.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Chamberlain, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 985, entitled

A bill to prohibit pool selling and all other kinds of similar gambling within this State and to prescribe a penalty therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Chamberlain, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 986, entitled

A bill to revise and consolidate the law of this State relative to the official stenographer of each of the judicial circuits within this State to prescribe their duties, salaries and fees and to repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Chamberlain, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 987, entitled

A bill to attach Isle Royal to the county of Keweenaw for all purposes, to provide for the levy, assessment and collection of taxes therein, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Chamberlain, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 988, entitled

A bill providing for the disposition of monies remaining, or being in the funds for county roads, where the road system shall have been adopted and afterwards for any reason declared inoperative.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Campbell, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 989, entitled

A bill concerning land titles.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Campbell,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Campbell, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 990, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 13, 27, 54, 55, 79, 204, 212 and 243 of the charter of the city of Ypsilanti.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Campbell, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 991, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 62 of act No. 206 of the public acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy (and collection) of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxes, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal act No. 200 of the public acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Campbell,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. F. Shepherd, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 992, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the township of Burt, in the county of Cheboygan, and attach the same to the township of Waverly.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. F. Shepherd,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. F. Shepherd, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 993, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of act 208 of the session laws of 1887, entitled "An act to provide for the correction of frauds and mistakes in the canvass and returns made by inspectors of elections," approved June 21, 1887.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. F. Shepherd,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. F. Shepherd, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 994, entitled,

A bill to amend act No. 110 of the public acts of the year 1891, entitled, "An act to reorganize the 11th and 13th judicial circuits and to create the 33d judicial circuit."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. F. Shepherd, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 995, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 9583 of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan, being Sec. 1 of Chap. 167 of the revised statutes of 1846 relative to inquests.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. F. Shepherd, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 996, entitled

A bill to repeal Secs. 2029, 2030 and 2031 of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan, relative to gaming.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Graham, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 997, entitled

A bill to authorize the State Board of Agriculture to sell a certain tract of land belonging to the Michigan State Agricultural College, and to purchase a certain other tract of land for use of the State Agricultural College.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Graham,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Graham, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 998, entitled

A bill to regulate and define the salaries to be paid certain State officers, their deputies and clerks, and other employes of the State, and to make an appropriation, and to provide for an annual tax for the payment thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee.

On motion of Mr. Graham,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Graham, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 999, entitled

A bill to amend section 3, of act No. 129, of the public acts of 1888, being an act entitled "An act for the organization of telephone and messenger service companies."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Graham, unanimous consent being giving, introduced

House bill No. 1000, entitled

A bill to provide for the appropriation of money to pay the salary of the Attorney General, clerks, stenographers, and other assistants, and certain expenses in his department, and to provide the manner and condition of payment, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Mayer, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1001, entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of per diem and expenses of members of State boards and commissions and of agents of State institutions and of members of boards of State institutions which boards, commissions and institutions receive appropriations from the State for current and other expenses and to provide for payment of printing and binding and stationery for such commissions, board and institutions, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts in contravention of the provisions hereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Mayer,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Smith, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1002, entitled

A bill to confer power and authority upon the common council of the village of Lake Linden to purchase and acquire property and to erect all proper and necessary structures in connection therewith, without as well as within the corporate limits of said village, and to hold and maintain the same for the sole purpose of supplying said village and the inhabitants thereof with water.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Village Corporations.

Mr. L. D. Dickinson, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1003, entitled

A bill to tax bicycles, and to appropriate such tax for the purpose of constructing a bicycle path.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Buskirk, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1004, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 2, 3, 9, 13, 15 and 16 of act No. 207 of the public acts of 1889 and to add a new section to stand as section 25, and to repeal sections 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 of said act No. 207 of the public acts of 1889, entitled "An act to prohibit the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale, giving away or furnishing of vinous, malt, brewed, fermented, spirituous or intoxicating liquors, or any mixed liquor or beverage any part of which is intoxicating, and to prohibit the keeping of any saloon or other place for the manufacture, sale, storing for sale, giving away or furnishing of such liquors or beverages, and to suspend the general laws of the State relative to the taxation and regulation of the manufacture and sale of such liquors in the several counties of this State under certain circumstances; to authorize the qualified electors of the several counties of this State to express their will in regard to such prohibition by an election, and to authorize and empower the board of supervisors of the several counties, after such election, if they shall determine the result to be in favor of such prohibition, to prohibit the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale, giving away or furnishing of vinous, malt liquors, or the keeping of a saloon or any other place for the manufacture, sale, storing for sale, giving away or

furnishing of the same within their respective counties; and to provide for penalties and rights of action in case of its violation."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Green, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1005, entitled

A bill to provide for the establishment of a building and loan department for the supervision of such business.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Green,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Green, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1006, entitled

A bill to amend sections 4, 8, 22 and 23 of act No. 205 of the public acts of 1877, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of societies for the receiving, loaning and investing of money."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Green,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Green, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1007, entitled

A bill to regulate foreign building and loan associations.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Green (by request), unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1008, entitled

A bill to amend section 87, of act No. 206, of the public acts of 1893, as amended by act number 154, of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased, and to repeal act No. 200, of the public acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Green (by request), unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1009, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 9 of chapter 84, of the revised statutes of 1846, entitled, "Of divorce," and being Sec. 6231 of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan, as amended by act No. 202 of the session laws of 1895, relating to divorce.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Green (by request), unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1010, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 2 of chapter 302, Howell's annotated statutes, being "An act relative to limitation of personal actions," and being compiler's sections 8713 and 8714.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Green (by request), unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1011, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 50 of the public acts of 1887, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain incorporations generally known as building and loan associations," as amended by adding thereto one new section to be known as section No. 34.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. H. Babcock, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1012, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 26 of act No. 322 of the local acts of 1893, being an act to incorporate the city of Grand Ledge.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Stoneman, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1013, entitled

A bill to establish and provide justices' courts in the city of Detroit, and repeal act No. 460 of the local acts of 1895, entitled "An act to establish and provide justices' courts in the city of Detroit, and to repeal act No. 290 of the local acts of 1883, entitled 'An act relative to justices' courts in the city of Detroit,'" approved April 25, 1884, and all acts amendatory thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee.

On motion of Mr. Stoneman,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Stoneman, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1014, entitled

A bill to provide for a municipal court in the city of Detroit, to be called the municipal court of Detroit.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Stoneman,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Lusk, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1015, entitled

A bill to authorize and empower the township of Edenville, Midland county, Michigan, to borrow money and issue its bonds therefore, in a sum or sums, not exceeding five thousand dollars, to be used for public buildings and improvements.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Lusk, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1016, entitled

A bill to amend section eight of chapter 59 of the
being section 2113 of Howell's annotated statutes
entitled "An act to prevent animals from running
highways."

The bill was read a first and second time by its
committee on Roads and Bridges.

Mr. Powers (by request), unanimous consent
leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1017, entitled

A bill to amend section 25 of act No. 113 of the
entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the
panies for mining, smelting, and manufacturing iron
coal, and other ores or minerals, and to fix the duties
corporations," being section 4100 of Howell's annotated

The bill was read a first and second time by its
committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Petrowsky, unanimous consent having been
granted, introduced

House bill No. 1018, entitled

A bill to repeal section 3 of act No. 313 of the public
"An act to provide for the taxation and regulation of
manufacturing, selling, keeping for sale, furnishing
spirituous and intoxicating liquors, and malt, brewed
and vinous liquors in this State, and to repeal all
inconsistent with the provisions of this act," approved
to amend sections 8, 13, 17, 20, and 30 thereof, and
pay the regular and ordinary license and tax for sale
and furnishing of spirituous and intoxicating liquors
fermented liquors, or vinous liquors in this State, the
mentioned in section 1 of said act, and to repeal all
inconsistent herewith.

The bill was read a first and second time by its
committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Petrowsky (by request), unanimous consent
leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1019, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of act No. 313 of the
entitled "An act to provide for the taxation and regulation
of manufacturing, selling, keeping for sale, furnishing
spirituous or intoxicating liquors, and malt, brewed
and vinous liquors in this State, and to repeal all
inconsistent with the provisions of this act."

The bill was read a first and second time by its
committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Petrowsky, unanimous consent having been
granted, introduced

House bill No. 1020, entitled

A bill to regulate street car service in cities over

The bill was read a first and second time by its
committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Petrowsky, unanimous consent being given,

House bill No. 1021, entitled

A bill to prevent the employment of children under the age of 14 years in factories, workshops or manufacturing industries in this State without a qualified physician's certificate of physical ability.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Labor.

Mr. Petrowsky, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1022, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 63 of the public acts of 1867, the same being Sec. 3 of Chap. 286 of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan, and to give justices of the peace jurisdiction in certain cases of forcible entry and detainer.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Petrowsky,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Petrowsky, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1023, entitled

A bill to amend chapter 15 of the charter of the city of Detroit relative to the board of public works, and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith, and all acts and parts of acts relating thereto.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Petrowsky,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Donovan, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1024, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the redemption of lands sold on foreclosure of mortgage and upon execution since Oct. 1, 1896, to Oct. 1, 1899, and to suspend the operation of all laws and parts of laws conflicting with the provisions of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Donovan, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1025, entitled

A bill to amend an act, entitled "An act to establish a bridge district in Bay county and to provide for the appointment and election of commissioners and for the construction, care and maintenance of bridges therein," approved Jan. 28, 1889, being act No. 278 of the local acts of 1889.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Mr. Donovan, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1026, entitled

A bill to protect fish and to regulate fishing in the waters of the Saginaw river.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Washer, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1027, entitled

A bill to repeal act No. 299 of the local acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for selecting and drawing jurors for the circuit court for the county of Bay."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. M. F. Phillips (by request), previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1028, entitled

A bill to amend an act, entitled, "An act to provide for the incorporation of cities of the fourth class, it being act No. 215 of the session laws of 1895."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Fleischhauer, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1029, entitled

A bill to organize the township of Pleasant Plains, Lake county, and to provide territory.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Fleischhauer,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Fleischhauer, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1030, entitled

A bill to disorganize the township of Pinora, Lake county, and to annex the territory to the township of Chase of said county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Fleischhauer,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Fleischhauer, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1031, entitled,

A bill to disorganize the townships of Lake county and to reorganize the same in other townships.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Fleischhauer,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Fleischhauer, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1032, entitled,

A bill to disorganize the township of Yates, Lake county, and to annex the territory to the township of Cherry Valley of said county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Fleischhauer,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Adams (for Mr. Fleischhauer), unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1033, entitled

A bill to disorganize Eden and Glencoe townships, Lake county, and to take from the township of Elk of said county and to form a new township to be known as the township of ———.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Adams,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Adams (for Mr. Fleischhauer), unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1034, entitled

A bill to disorganize the township of Lake, Lake county, and to annex the territory to the township of Elk of said county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Adams,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Adams, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1035, entitled

A bill relative to bonds, undertakings, recognizances, guarantees and other obligations required or permitted to be made, given, tendered or filed with surety or sureties, and to the acceptance as surety or guarantor, thereupon, of companies qualified to act as such, and to repeal act No. 194 of the public acts of 1885, and act No. 266 of the public acts of 1895.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Adams,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Adams, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1036, entitled

A bill to provide for the appointment of a stenographer for the probate court of the county of Kent, and for the justice courts of said county located within the city of Grand Rapids, to prescribe his duties and fix his compensation.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Adams, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1037, entitled

A bill to establish a recorder's court in the city of Grand Rapids.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Adams, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1038, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 72 of the public acts of 1883, entitled "An act relating to telephone companies and to regulate the use and rental of telephones in this State."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Adams, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1039, entitled

A bill to provide for notice to the owners and others interested in lands that may be sold for taxes before a tax deed can be given upon the certificate of sale.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Adams, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1040, entitled

A bill to provide for the taxation and collection of attorneys' fee in justice courts.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Adams, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1041, entitled

A bill to exempt all disabled soldiers, sailors or marines of the late rebellion from the provisions of any license law of this State and from any ordinance of any city or village within this State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Adams, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1042, entitled

A bill to provide for the weekly payment of employes by corporations doing business in this State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Labor.

Mr. Fuller, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1043, entitled

A bill to amend section 22 of act No. 149, of the public acts of 1893, entitled, "An act to provide for a county and township system of roads and to prescribe the powers and duties of the officers having the charge thereof."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Mr. Fuller, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1044, entitled

A bill to allow the board of education of the township of Burt in the county of Alger to bond the township for school purposes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Fuller, previous notice having been given, introduced

House bill No. 1045, entitled

A bill to provide a charter for the city of Escanaba.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Fuller,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Fuller, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1046, entitled

A bill to amend act number 215, of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of cities of the fourth class."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Fuller,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Fuller, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1047, entitled

A bill to correct charges made by the Auditor General against Delta county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Fuller,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Colvin, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1048, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act for the protection of fish in the Saginaw river and its tributaries, and to repeal act No. 31, of the public acts of 1893," the same being act No. 200, of the public acts of 1895, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Bryan, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1049, entitled

A bill to enable the city of Wyandotte, in the county of Wayne, to amend their charter so as to provide for the collection of school taxes, and taxes for general city purposes, in the month of July in each year.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Bryan,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Bryan, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1050, entitled

A bill to enable the township of Springwells, in the county of Wayne, to create a commission to be known as the commissioners of the township plat and to define the powers and duties thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Bryan,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Bryan, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1051, entitled

A bill to include insane or mentally incompetent persons within the meaning of the word "deceased," as used in section 7445 of Howell's compilation of the statutes, and all amendments thereto.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Bryan, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1052, entitled

A bill to prohibit any instructor, or any person giving or receiving instruction in any of the public schools of this State from using any living animal for the purpose of such instruction, or for the purpose of any experiment, demonstration or exercise.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Bryan, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1053, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the township of Springwells, in the county of Wayne, and attach the said territory to the city of Detroit in said county of Wayne.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties and City Corporations jointly.

Mr. Bryan, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1054, entitled

A bill to authorize the city of Wyandotte in Wayne county, to acquire title and ownership to the electric lighting plant, now operated and maintained by said city for lighting purposes, and to settle and adjust all pending litigation, controversies and decrees, growing out of and in relation thereto.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Reed, unanimous consent being given, introduced

• House bill No. 1055, entitled

A bill for the protection of the public health, and to prevent the adulteration of dairy products and fraud in the sale thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Reed,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Van Camp, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1056, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Benton Harbor in the county of Berrien."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Van Camp,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Molster (by request), previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1057, entitled

A bill to amend section 22 of chapter 7 of an act, entitled "An act to provide a charter for the city of Detroit, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith," as amended by the several acts amendatory thereof, approved June 7, 1883.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Molster,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Hammond, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1058, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 9 of act No. 238 of the public acts of 1889, entitled "An act to provide for the amicable adjustment of grievances and disputes that may arise between employers and employes, and to authorize the creation of a State court of mediation and arbitration," approved July 3, 1889.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Weier, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1059, entitled

A bill to provide for the collection of municipal taxes and taxes for the support of the public schools in the city of Monroe, in the month of July in each year.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Herrig, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill 1060, entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of the Lutheran Bund of the State of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Herrig,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Herrig, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill 1061, entitled

A bill to provide for a reregistration of the electors in the townships of the State of Michigan, and to provide for the punishment of any violations of the regulations therein contained.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Herrig,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Herrig, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1062, entitled

A bill to amend section 5 of chapter 249 of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan, being compilers section 6818.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Herrig,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Herrig, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1063, entitled

A bill to amend the special act of the charter of the city of Saginaw entitled "An act to provide for the election of two justices of the peace, and the appointment of a justice's clerk in and for the city of Saginaw, and to define their jurisdiction and to fix their compensation; and to abolish and discontinue the five offices of justice of the peace of said city upon the expiration of the terms of the present incumbents thereof; and to provide for the filing of the files, records and dockets belonging to or appertaining to the offices abolished and discontinued; and for the issuance of executions upon judgments appearing on said dockets, and to repeal all provisions of the charter of the city of Saginaw, and of all other acts or parts of acts in anywise contravening the provisions of this act."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Herrig,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Herrig, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1064, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the township of Frankenlust in the county of Bay, and attach the same to the township of Zilwaukee in the county of Saginaw.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Herrig,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Herrig, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1065, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the township of Carrollton in the county of Saginaw, and attach the same to the township of Zilwaukee in said county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Herrig,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Herrig, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1066, entitled

A bill to provide for a reregistration of the electors of the city of Saginaw, and provide for the punishment of any violations of the regulations therein contained.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Herrig,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Herrig, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1067, entitled

A bill to authorize the appointment of guardians for and the adoption of children temporarily sheltered at homes of the friendless and other similar institutions in certain cases.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Herrig,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Herrig, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1068, entitled

A bill to repeal sections 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29 and 30 of title 14 of the charter of the city of Saginaw as passed by the legislature in 1889, and amended in 1891, 1893 and 1895.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Herrig,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Herrig, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1069, entitled,

A bill to provide for the formation of corporations for furnishing abstracts and guarantees of title of real estate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Herrig,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Herrig, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

□ House bill No. 1070, entitled,

□ A bill to authorize the township of Carrollton, of Saginaw county, to borrow money on its faith and credit to be used in the construction of a stone road along the highway known as the Carrollton road in said township from the point where the said Carrollton road intersects the F. & P. M. R. R., thence northerly along said highway to the south line of the township of Zilwaukee and to issue bonds therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Herrig, unanimous consent having been given, introduced

House bill No. 1071, entitled

A bill to authorize the city of Saginaw to borrow money for the purpose of refunding the sewer bonds of the western taxing district, to issue new bonds therefor.

• The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Herrig, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1072, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 262, of the public acts of 1895, being an act entitled, "An act to provide for the incorporation of the mutual fire insurance companies, limited, and defining their powers and duties," approved June 4, 1895, by adding a new section thereto to stand as Sec. 16.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Insurance.

Mr. Herrig, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1073, entitled

A bill to permit the taking and catching of fish with nets in the bayou called the Big Boom, by the owners of the lands in Secs. 13 and 24, township 11 north, range 3 east, in the township of James, Saginaw county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Herrig, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1074, entitled

A bill to revise and amend the charter of the city of Saginaw and to amend section 5 of act No. 455 of the local acts of 1889, and to amend section 9 of title 5 of act 455 of the local acts of 1889 as amended by act No. 257 of the local acts of 1891; and to amend section 10 of title 5 of act No. 455 of the local acts of 1889, as amended by act No. 382 of the local acts of 1895, entitled: "An act to annex the territory embraced within the city of East Saginaw to that of the city of Saginaw, and to consolidate the city of East Saginaw with the city of Saginaw under the name of the city of Saginaw, to specify and fix boundaries of said city, to provide for the assuming and payment of the indebtedness and liabilities of the present cities of East Saginaw and Saginaw, and for the ownership of their corporate property and rights, to define the corporate rights, powers and privi-

leges of said city of Saginaw as so consolidated and to repeal all acts inconsistent herewith."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Harris, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1075, entitled

A bill to amend section 18 of chapter 3, of act 164, of the session laws 1881, being section 5070 of Howell's annotated statutes, relative to revising and consolidating the laws in relation to public instruction, and primary schools.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Putney, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1076, entitled

A bill to compel all physicians practicing in the State of Michigan to write all prescriptions in the English language.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Putney,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Sawyer, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1077, entitled

A bill to repeal certain obsolete and inoperative statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Revision of Statutes.

Mr. Sawyer, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1078, entitled

A bill to confer jurisdiction upon circuit courts, in chancery to prevent the unlawful disposition of moneys or moneys or property by municipal corporations or other public bodies or officers, upon the complaint of tax payers.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Sawyer, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1079, entitled

A bill to amend section 4719 of the compiled laws of 1871, being compiler's section 6209 of Howell's annotated statutes, of Michigan relative to marriage and the solemnization thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Sawyer, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1080, entitled

A bill to regulate the practice of horse-shoeing in the State of Michigan, and to provide for the examination and registration of persons engaged in such pursuit.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Sawyer, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1081, entitled

A bill to amend section twelve, of act No. 232, of the public acts of 1885, relative to the incorporation of manufacturing companies.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Edgar, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1082, entitled

A bill to provide for permitting inmates of the Industrial Home for Girls at Adrian, who become insane, to a State asylum for the insane, and for their return to such home, on their recovery, and for the cost of their care and maintenance while at such State asylum.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Edgar,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Belknap, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1083, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of act No. 93, of public acts of 1895, entitled: "An act to amend section 1, of act No. 313 of the public acts of 1887, entitled, 'An act to provide for the taxation and regulation of the business of manufacturing, selling, keeping for sale, furnishing giving or delivering spirituous and intoxicating liquor, and malt, brewed or fermented liquors and vinous liquors in this State and to repeal all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act,' and to amend section 17 of act No. 313 of public acts of 1887, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts in contravention of this act."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Perry, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1084, entitled

A bill to amend an act, entitled "An act to reincorporate the city of Manistee," approved March 15, 1882.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Perry, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1085, entitled

A bill to amend sections 6 and 7 of act No. 147 of the public acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for a county and township system of roads and to prescribe the powers and duties of the officers having the charge thereof," approved May 26, 1893.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Mr. McGill, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1086, entitled

A bill authorizing the appointment of a deputy attorney general.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. McGill, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1087, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 235 of the public acts of 1889, entitled "An act to provide for the payment of the salaries of certain State officers."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. McGill, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1088, entitled

A bill to prohibit and make it unlawful for any judge of probate, register of any probate court or clerk, or any person, or persons, associated with such judge of probate, probate register, or clerk, as partner or partners to draw or prepare any will or codicil or any testamentary paper during the time that such judge of probate, probate register, or clerk in such probate court is holding such office or clerkship.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. McGill, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1089, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 306 of the local acts of the State of Michigan, for the year 1893, approved March 22, 1893, being an act entitled "An act relative to justices' courts in the city of Grand Rapids, to reduce the number thereof and to fix the compensation of such justices, and to provide a clerk, and officers therefor," by adding thereto a new section to be known as section 13, so as to authorize and provide for the assessment and recovery of attorney fees in civil causes instituted in said courts.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. McGill, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House Bill No. 1090, entitled

A bill to authorize foreign executors, administrators, and guardians to act within the State of Michigan, and to ratify and confirm any acts heretofore taken by them in said State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. McGill, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1091, entitled

A bill to provide that all State asylums having women inmates shall have one or more women physicians in attendance at such asylums.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. McGill, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1092, entitled

A bill declaring the treatment of diseases of the human body by the system, method or science commonly known as osteopathy, and as taught and practiced by the American School of Osteopathy, of Kirksville, Missouri, not to be the practice of medicine and surgery within the meaning of (the laws of the State of Michigan, regulating the practice of medicine and surgery in this State), and regulating and licensing the practice of osteopathy in the State of Michigan, and fixing penalties for violations of the provisions of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Public Health.

Mr. Anderson, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1093, entitled

A bill to amend sections 2 and 3 of an act, entitled, "An act relative to free schools in the city of Grand Rapids."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Anderson,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Anderson, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1094, entitled

A bill granting to cities and incorporated villages of the State power to pass ordinances for the regulation of time, during which, after night-fall, children under 16 years of age shall not be in the public streets, parks or alleys, without proper guardianship, or not being for the certain purposes to be provided for.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Anderson,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Anderson, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1095, entitled

A bill providing for the inspection of milk and dairies, and for license and regulation of the sale of milk in cities.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Anderson, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1096, entitled

A bill to permit loans upon chattel mortgage security in sums of fifty dollars or less, at a rate of interest of not more than one per cent per month; to limit other charges thereon, and to make chattel mortgages to secure loans for like amounts void for excessive charges.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Anderson, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1097, entitled

A bill to regulate the business of plumbing and building drainage, and the conduct thereof in the State of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Billings, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1098, entitled

A bill to provide for the election of county commissioners.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Billings,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Atkinson, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1099, entitled

A bill to abolish the recorder's court of the city of Detroit.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Atkinson, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1100, entitled

A bill to amend sections 24, 61, 62, 70, 71, 72, 74, 78, 82, 84, 98 and 135 of act No. 206 of the public acts of 1893 as amended by acts 25, 154, 162 and 229 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes hereinbefore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the state and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal act No. 200 of the public acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in any-wise contravening any of the provisions of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Atkinson, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1101, entitled

A bill to provide for a bureau of statistics and accounts.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Atkinson, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1102, entitled

A bill to prevent intimidation of voters during the time of any political campaign in the State of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and a second time by its title and referred to the committee on Elections.

Mr. Atkinson, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1103, entitled

A bill to protect electors in the exercise of the elective franchise, and to provide penalties for the violation thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Elections.

Mr. Atkinson, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1104, entitled

A bill to amend section 134 of act No. 273 of the public acts of 1881, entitled, "An act to authorize proceedings in the circuit courts in chancery in relation to the conveyance of lands by infants, idiots, lunatics, and other incompetent persons, and the sale and disposition of their estate, and to amend sections 5163, 5164, 5165, 5167, 5170, 5171, 5173, 5174, 5175, 5176, of the compiled laws of 1871."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Atkinson, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1105, entitled

A bill to amend section 4 of act No. 191 of the session laws of 1877 as amended by act No. 216 of the session laws of 1881 as amended by act No. 21 of the session laws of 1885 being section 2368 of Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Atkinson, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1106, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 11 of chapter 150 of the revised statutes of 1846 relative to the fees of sheriffs in executing process issued out of the courts of law and equity, and by judicial and other officers, and for other services, as amended by the several acts amendatory thereof, being section 9017 of Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Atkinson, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1107, entitled

A bill to amend section 11 of chapter 150 of the revised statutes of 1846, relative to the fees of sheriffs in executing process issued out of the courts of law and equity, and by judicial and other officers, and for other services, as amended by the several acts amendatory thereof, being section 9017 of Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Atkinson, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1108, entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of chapter 11 of an act entitled "An act to provide a charter for the city of Detroit, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith," approved June 7, 1883, being act — of the local acts of 1883.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Atkinson, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1109, entitled

A bill to declare unlawful and void all arrangements, contracts, agreements, trusts, or combinations made with a view to lessen, or which tend to lessen free competition in the importation or sale of articles imported into this State, or in the manufacture or sale of articles of domestic growth or of domestic raw material, to declare unlawful and void all arrangements, contracts, agreements, trusts or combinations between persons or corporations, which tend to advance, reduce or control the price of such product or articles, and to provide a penalty and remedy in such cases.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Atkinson, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1110, entitled

A bill to provide for the scientific treatment and cure of inebriates.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Atkinson, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1111, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 237 of the laws of 1881.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Insurance.

Mr. Atkinson, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1112, entitled

A bill to prefer ex-soldiers for public employment.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. John Donovan, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1113, entitled,

A bill to protect fish and to regulate fishing in the Saginaw river.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fish and Game.

Mr. Davis, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1114, entitled,

A bill for the formation of electric railway companies.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. January, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1115, entitled

A bill to amend section 11 of an act, entitled "An act supplemental to the charter of the city of Detroit, and relating to parks, boulevards and other public grounds in said city, and to repeal act No. 374 of the local acts of 1879, entitled 'An act to provide for the establishment and maintenance of a broad street or boulevard about the limits of the city of Detroit and through portions of the townships of Hamtramck, Greenfield and Springwells in the county of Wayne,'" approved May 21, 1879.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. January,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Sawyer, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1116, entitled

A bill requiring the trustees of the various asylums in this State for insane to properly stamp and properly mail without opening or reading all letters sent by the inmates of any asylum in this State, and also to deliver to various inmates of said asylum all letters directed to them without opening or reading.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Eastern Asylum.

Mr. Perry, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1117, entitled

A bill to amend sections four and six of act No. 167 of the public acts of 1893 entitled "An act to promote public health," approved June 6, 1883, as amended by act No. 268 of the public acts of 1887.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Public Health.

Mr. Peek, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House joint resolution No. 29, entitled

Joint resolution authorizing the Auditor General to set aside certain taxes assessed in the county of Jackson in the years 1892 and 1893.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Local Taxation.

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Mr. Connors (by request), unanimous consent being given, introduced House joint resolution No. 30, entitled

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 8 of article 13 of the constitution of this State relative to the board of regents of the University and their powers.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on University.

Mr. Molster, unanimous consent being given, introduced House joint resolution No. 31, entitled

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the constitution of this State by adding a new section thereto, to stand as section 16 of article 18, relative to the employment of male convicts and prisoners now confined in and who may hereafter be confined in the prisons and jails of the State, in the construction, building and repairing of public roads, highways and bridges in this State.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Labor.

Mr. Bricker, unanimous consent being given, introduced House joint resolution No. 32, entitled

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Sec. 8, article 13 of the constitution of this State, relative to the board of regents of the University and their powers.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on University.

Mr. Clute, unanimous consent being given, introduced House joint resolution No. 33, entitled

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Sec. 15 of article 4 of the constitution of the State of Michigan, relative to compensation of members of the legislature.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Gillam (by request), unanimous consent being given, introduced House joint resolution No. 34, entitled

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to sections 1 and 11 of article 14 of the constitution of Michigan, relative to taxation.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Eikhoff, unanimous consent being given, introduced House joint resolution No. 35, entitled

A joint resolution to provide for the relief of Thomas Allen.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Eikhoff,

The joint resolution was laid on the table.

Mr. Billings, unanimous consent being given, introduced House joint resolution No. 36, entitled

Joint resolution to authorize and instruct the Board of State Auditors to examine into, and if they deem it justifiable, to allow compensation to John McDonald for confinement in the Branch Prison at Marquette, for a term of 6 years for the conviction of a crime of which he was afterward f and innocent and pardoned.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

House bill No. 229, being

An act to provide for the transfer of money from the contingent fund of Bay county to the general fund of the board of county road commissioners of Bay county.

Respectfully,

H. S. Pingree,

Governor.

The message was ordered spread on the Journal.

The Speaker also announced the following:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Lansing, February 24, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I have this day approved, signed and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State,

House bill No. 601, being

An act to appoint an assistant prosecuting attorney for Kalamazoo county.

Respectfully,

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Governor.

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SIR—I have this day approved, signed and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State,

House bill No. 80, being

An act to amend Sec. 2 of an act entitled, "An act to organize the union school district of the city of Alpena," approved April 4, 1873, and the acts amendatory thereof.

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WHEREAS, Request has been made for the opening and extension of said Jerome street from Bismark street eastward to Pennsylvania avenue; therefore be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That the city of Lansing is hereby authorized to open and extend Jerome street, in said city, westward from Bismark street to Pennsylvania avenue, across any and all lands owned by the State of Michigan between Bismark street and Pennsylvania avenue, in said city of Lansing, said opening and extension to be of the same width as said Jerome street is where it crosses said Bismark street, as shown by the recorded plat thereof, said opening and extension to be done and made at some future time, at the option of said city of Lansing and without expense to the State of Michigan.

Laid over one day under the rules.

On motion of Mr. Hammond,

The house took a recess until 8 o'clock this evening.

EVENING SESSION.

8 o'clock p. m.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

The House resumed the regular order

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR.

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House concurrent resolution No. —, being

Concurrent resolution recommending the appointment of Colonel William R. Shafter as Brigadier General.

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House concurrent resolution No. —, being

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That we, the legislature of the State of Michigan, express our earnest sympathy with, and hearty commendation of the effort now being made by Senator James McMillan in the congress of the United States, to regulate the practice of vivisection in the District of Columbia; that we regard this practice of torturing animals as cruel, inhuman and unworthy of our civilization; that a copy of this resolution, signed by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House, be forwarded to Senator James McMillan.

Respectfully,

H. S. Pingree,
Governor.

The message was ordered spread on the Journal.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STATE OFFICERS.

The Speaker announced the following:

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE.

To the House of Representatives:

GENTLEMEN—I hereby inform your honorable body that my department will be open until 12 o'clock midnight, if necessary. Any member desiring a bill drawn or changed will find the office open until that time.

Respectfully,

Fred A. Maynard,
Attorney General.

The communication was ordered spread on the Journal.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Kelly, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1118, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 11 of the public acts of the session laws of 1899, entitled, "An act to provide for the making and return of lists of persons to serve as jurors in the county of Muskegon."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Camburn, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1119, entitled

A bill to repeal act No. 205 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to regulate the admission to practice of attorneys, solicitors and counselors, to provide for a board of examiners, and to repeal conflicting acts."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Lusk,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Davis, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1131, entitled

A bill to provide for the disposition of the moneys received by the treasurer of Macomb county from the taxes on the business of selling and offering for sale in the city of Mt. Clemens spirituous and intoxicating liquors, malt, brewed and fermented liquors.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Davis, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1132, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 128 of the session laws of 1850, entitled "An act to incorporate the Erin & Mount Clemens Plank Road Co.," by adding one new section thereto to stand as section 8.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Davis,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Davis, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1133, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 251 of the session laws of 1848, entitled "An act to incorporate the Detroit & Erin Plank Road Co.," by adding one new section thereto, to stand as section 7.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Davis,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Shepard, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted introduced

House bill No. 1134, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of act No. 236 and 95 entitled "An act to create the office of State Statistician and to define his powers and duties and provide a compensation therefor."

The bill was read a first and second time by the title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Billings, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1135, entitled

A bill to reduce the number of wards in the city of Negaunee, and to define the boundaries thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Billings,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Billings, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1136, entitled

A bill to reduce the number of wards in the city of Marquette, and to define the boundaries thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Billings,
The bill was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Belknap,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Wetherbee, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House 1125, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 155 of the compiled laws of 1871, being compiler's section 5834 of Howell's annotated statutes, relative to letters testamentary.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Wetherbee, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1126, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 259 of the local acts of the State of Michigan for the year 1883, being an act entitled, "An act to provide for the payment of fees in the county of Wayne, in suits and proceedings in the circuit court for said county." Approved April 11, 1883.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Wetherbee,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Herrig, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1127, entitled

A bill to legalize the assessment and tax rolls of the city of Saginaw and the return of the delinquent taxes thereon to the county treasurer, for the years 1895 and 1896.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. McGill, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1128, entitled

A bill to provide for the holding of caucuses or primaries in the townships of the respective counties of this State, requiring political parties to call caucuses in their respective county on the same day and at the same hour, not more than four days prior to the convention.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. McGill,
The motion was laid on the table.

Mr. McGill, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1129, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 2 of act No. 222 of the public acts of 1887, as amended by section 1 of act No. 183 of the public acts of 1895, entitled, "An act to prevent crime and to punish truancy, being compiler's sections 9315c and 9315d of chapter 332 of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Lusk, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1130, entitled

A bill to protect policy holders issued under industrial life insurance policies or upon the weekly payment system.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Lusk,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Davis, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1131, entitled

A bill to provide for the disposition of the moneys received by the treasurer of Macomb county from the taxes on the business of selling and offering for sale in the city of Mt. Clemens spirituous and intoxicating liquors, malt, brewed and fermented liquors.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Davis, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1132, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 128 of the session laws of 1850, entitled "An act to incorporate the Erin & Mount Clemens Plank Road Co.," by adding one new section thereto to stand as section 8.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Davis,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Davis, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1133, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 251 of the session laws of 1848, entitled "An act to incorporate the Detroit & Erin Plank Road Co.," by adding one new section thereto, to stand as section 7.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Davis,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Shepard, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted introduced

House bill No. 1134, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of act No. 236 and 95 entitled "An act to create the office of State Statistician and to define his powers and duties and provide a compensation therefor."

The bill was read a first and second time by the title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Billings, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1135, entitled

A bill to reduce the number of wards in the city of Negaunee, and to define the boundaries thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Billings,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Billings, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1136, entitled

A bill to reduce the number of wards in the city of Marquette, and to define the boundaries thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Billings,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Billings, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1137, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 222 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of a board of commissioners who shall have the management and control of the Mackinac Island State park and defining its powers and duties."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Billings,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Billings, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1138, entitled

A bill to reduce the number of wards in the city of Ishpeming, and to define the boundaries thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee.

On motion of Mr. Billings,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Bricker, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1139, entitled

A bill to prevent persons, not members of election boards or regularly appointed challengers from challenging or threatening voters while in voting places.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Elections.

Mr. Colvin, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1140, entitled

A bill to repeal act No. 236 of the session laws of 1895, being an act to create the office of State Statistician and to define his powers and duties, and to provide a compensation therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Eikhoff, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1141, entitled

A bill to regulate the rate of interest on money invested in tax titles.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Eikhoff, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1142, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21 of an act, entitled "An act to establish the Detroit House of Correction and authorize the confinement of convicted persons therein, as amended by the several acts amendatory thereof," approved March 15, 1861.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Eikhoff,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Coad, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1143, entitled

A bill to amend section No 21 of act No. 204 of the session laws of 1895, entitled "An act to amend sect on 21 of act No. 220 of the session laws of 1889, entitled 'An act to amend sections 21 and 22 of act No. 135 of the public acts of 1885, entitled an act to amend, revise and consolidate the laws organizing asylums for the insane and regulating the care and management thereof and of the inmates therein,' and to repeal act No. 164, laws of 1859; also act 194, laws of 1877; also act 91, laws of 1873, and the acts amendatory thereto; also act No. 172, laws of 1773, approved June 3, 1885, being section 1930c Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Coad, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1144, entitled

A bill to amend section 36 of chapter 176 of the compiled laws of 1871, being compiler's section 6626 of Howell's annotated statutes, relative to courts of chancery.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Coad, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1145, entitled

A bill to provide for reopening cases brought to test the legality of the title to land sold for taxes upon their merits and providing for settlement of same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Connors (by request), unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1146, entitled

A bill to regulate the holding of circuit courts in the counties of this State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Connors, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1147, entitled

A bill to regulate the practice of circuit judges.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Hammond, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1148, entitled

A bill to amend section 3, of act 207, of the public acts of 1889, being section 2283a2 of Howell's annotated statutes, volume 3; also to amend section 9 of said act, being paragraph 2283a8, volume 3, of Howell's annotated statutes, and also section 13 of said act, relative to the prohibition of the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors, by vote in counties. And to repeal section 4 of said act, being paragraph 2283a3 as amended by act No. 247, of the public acts of Michigan for the year 1895, and to repeal sections 5, 6, 7 and 8 of said act, being sections 2283a4; 2283a5; 2283a6, and 2283a7, of volume 3, of Howell's annotated statutes. And to provide by such amendment of said paragraph 2283a2, of said Howell's annotated statutes, volume 3, for the submission to the electors of each and every county, in the State of Michigan, at the

annual election of township officers for the year 1896, and at the corresponding annual elections every second year thereafter, the question of prohibiting the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage, by vote in counties, without any call being made by the board of supervisors.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Hammond, unanimous consent being given, introduced House bill No. 1149, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 2, 3, 9, 13, 15 and 16 of act No. 207 of the public acts of 1889, and to add a new section to stand as section 25 and to repeal sections 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 of said act No. 207 of the public acts of 1889, entitled, an act to prohibit the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale, giving away or furnishing of vinous, malt, brewed, fermented, spirituous, or intoxicating liquors, or any mixed liquor or beverage, any part of which is intoxicating, and to prohibit the keeping of any saloon or other place for the manufacture, sale, storing for sale, giving away or furnishing of such liquors or beverages, and to suspend the general laws of the State relative to the taxation and regulation of the manufacture and sale of such liquors in the several counties of this State under certain circumstances; to authorize the qualified electors of the several counties of this State to express their will in regard to such prohibition by an election, and to authorize and empower the board of supervisors of the several counties, after such election, if they shall determine the result to be in favor of such prohibition, to prohibit the manufacture, sale, keeping for sale, giving away or furnishing of any such liquors, or the keeping of a saloon or any other place for the manufacture, sale, storing for sale, giving away or furnishing of the same within their respective counties; and to provide for penalties and rights of action in case of its violation.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Liquor Traffic.

Mr. Bates, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1150, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled, "An act to amend Sec. 27, Chap. 106 of the revised statutes of 1846, being Sec. 4465 of the compiled laws," the same being Sec. 7876 of Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Marsilje, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1151, entitled

A bill to prohibit the shooting of ducks at any time from sail boats, steam launches, electric launches and any naphtha launches on the waters of Black River Lake, also known as Macatawa Bay, and on Black River, in the county of Ottawa.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Perry, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1152, entitled

A bill to protect the life and safety of persons and property while traveling on the public highways.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Perry,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. F. Shepherd, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1153, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 333 of the local acts of the year 1889, entitled, "An act to incorporate the city of Cheboygan, and to repeal an act incorporating the village of Cheboygan."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. F. Shepherd,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Lee, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1154, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of act No. 19 of the public acts of 1893, entitled "An act to amend section 1, of act 32 of the public acts of 1873, entitled 'An act to extend aid to the University of Michigan, and to repeal an act entitled "An act to extend aid to the University of Michigan," approved March 15, 1867, being sections 3506 and 3507 of the compiled laws of 1871, the same being section 4944 of Howell's annotated statutes, approved March 23, 1893, and to require the board of regents to remove the homeopathic college or department of the University to the city of Detroit, and appropriate money for that purpose."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Lee,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Lee, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1155, entitled

A bill to provide for meetings of the Board of State Auditors and to designate the compensation of members of said board.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Lee, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1156, entitled

A bill to amend chapter 14 of act No. 3 of the public acts of 1895, entitled, "An act to provide for the incorporation of villages within the State of Michigan, and defining their powers and duties," by adding two new sections thereto, to stand as sections 17 and 18.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Village Corporations.

Mr. Lee, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1157, entitled

A bill to prohibit the catching of fish in Long lake, situated in the township of Arcadia, county of Lapeer, State of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Mr. Lee, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1158, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of act No. 179 of the session laws of 1895, entitled 'An act to amend section 1 of act No. 198 of the session laws of 1877, being section 2123, of Howell's annotated statutes, entitled, 'An act to pro-

vide for a tax upon dogs and to create a fund for the payment of certain damages for sheep killed or wounded by them in certain case and all acts amendatory thereof, by adding a proviso thereto.' "

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Bricker, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1159, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of act No. 19 of the public acts of 1893, approved March 23, 1893, entitled "An act to amend section 1 of act No. 32 of the public acts of 1873, entitled 'An act to extend aid to the University of Michigan,' " and to repeal an act entitled "An act to extend aid to the University of Michigan, approved March 15, 1867, being sections 3506 and 3507 of the compiled laws of 1871," the same being section 4944 of Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on University.

Mr. Fuller, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1160, entitled

A bill to regulate rates of freight on iron ore on railroads in the State of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Fuller,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Fuller, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1161, entitled

A bill to create the county of Ward in the Upper Peninsula.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Fuller,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Gustin, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1162, entitled

A bill to vacate the townships of Custin, Mikado, Miller, Haines, Calidona and Mitchell.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Gustin,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Gustin, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1163, entitled

A bill to annex territory and to re-organize the township of Haynes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Gustin,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Gustin, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1164, entitled

A bill to annex territory and reorganize the township of Harrisville.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Gustin,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Gustin, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1165, entitled

A bill to annex the territory and reorganize the township of Greenbush.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its
reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Gustin,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Gustin, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1166, entitled

A bill to annex territory and to reorganize the township of Curtis.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its
reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Gustin,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Gustin, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1167, entitled

A bill to annex territory and to reorganize the township of Alcona.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its
reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Gustin,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Gustin, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1168, entitled

A bill to regulate commerce.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the
committee on Railroads.

Mr. Gustin, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1169, entitled

A bill to detach the township of Hudson from the county of Charle-
voix and annex the same to the county of Otsego.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the
committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Gustin, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1170, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 2 and 25 of a act No. 137 of the session laws of
1849, entitled "An act to authorize proceedings against garnishees and
for other purposes," the same being Secs. 8032 and 8055 of Howell's
annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the
committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Gustin, unanimous consent having been given and leave being
granted, introduced

House bill No. 1171, entitled

A bill to provide for the registration of electors of this State, and to
provide punishment for fraudulent registration.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the
committee on Elections.

Mr. Putney, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1172, entitled

A bill to authorize the county agent of the several counties to accompany to the State Public School at Coldwater all persons who may be committed to that institution.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Putney,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Putney, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1173, entitled

A bill for the protection of the owners of mares and stallions in the State of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Mr. Edgar, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1174, entitled

A bill to provide for the appointment of a commission to act in behalf of this State, in conjunction with a similar commission from the State of Ohio in securing definite ascertainment of the boundary line between the State of Michigan and the State of Ohio, and providing compensation therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Edgar,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Van Camp, unanimous consent having been given and leave being given, introduced

House bill No. 1175, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 of act No. 93 of the public acts of 1891, entitled "An act to prevent the spreading of milkweed in the State of Michigan, to provide for the destruction of the same and to authorize the assessment of a tax upon real estate, and for the payment of the expenses incurred in such destruction," approved May 22, 1891.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Mr. Mayer, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1176, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 313 of the public acts of 1887, entitled "An act to provide for the taxation and regulation of the business of manufacturing, selling, keeping for sale, furnishing, giving or delivering spirituous and intoxicating liquors, and malt, brewed, or fermented liquors and vinous liquors in this State, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act," as amended by act No. 93 of the public acts of 1895.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Mayer,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Mayer, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1177, entitled

A bill to protect heirs of depositors in savings banks.

The bill was read a first and second time by its committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Atkinson, unanimous consent having been granted, introduced

House bill No. 1178, entitled

A bill to provide for quieting titles to land.

The bill was read a first and second time by its committee on Revision of Statutes.

Mr. Atkinson, unanimous consent being given,

House bill No. 1179, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 62 and 70 of an act entitled "The assessment of property and the levy (and collection) and for the collection of taxes heretofore and for such taxes a lien on the lands taxed, and for the disposition of lands bid off to the State and not reduced to repeal act No. 200 of the public acts of 1891, and acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of June 1, 1893, relative to the sale of lands delinquent."

The bill was read a first and second time by its committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Atkinson, unanimous consent being given,

House bill No. 1180, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 14 of act No. 271 of the public acts of 1891, entitled "An act to amend Secs. 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 17 and 18 of the public acts of 1891, entitled 'An act to prescribe the mode of conducting elections and to prevent fraud and (deception) deception in the State, as amended by acts amendatory thereto.'"

The bill was read a first and second time by its committee on Elections.

Mr. Adams, unanimous consent being given,

House bill No. 1181, entitled

A bill to authorize the board of supervisors of any county to borrow money and issue bonds therefor, for the purpose of the location and construction of a plant for the manufacture of sugar.

The bill was read a first and second time by its committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Shisler, unanimous consent being given,

House bill No. 1182, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 1, 2, 3 and 4 of act No. 1 of the public acts of 1877, entitled "An act to provide for a tax upon the payment of certain damages for sheep and horses in certain cases," the same being Secs. 212 and 213 of Howell's statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its committee on Reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Shisler,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. January, previous notice having been given, granted, introduced

House bill No. 1183, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 3, 4, 5, 8 and 9 of Chap. 1 of an act entitled "An act to provide a charter for the city of Detroit and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith," being act No. 326 of the session laws of 1883, approved June 7, 1883, as amended by act No. 324 of the session laws of 1891, approved May 13, 1891, and to add a new section to stand as Sec. No. 11.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. January, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1184, entitled

A bill to regulate the service of process issued by justices of the peace of the city of Detroit, to prescribe the fees to be received therefor and to repeal all acts and parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. January, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1185, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 26 and 30 of act No. 205 of the public acts of 1887, being Sec. 3208c5 and 3208c9 of Howell's annotated statutes, entitled "An act to revise the laws authorizing the business of banking and to establish a banking department for the supervision of such business; and to add one new section to said act to be known as Sec. 34a, and to provide for reports of savings banks as to the amount of interest actually paid to its depositor, and to regulate the manner and time in making said report.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Edgar, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1186, entitled

A bill to demonstrate a mathematical truth, and offered as a contribution to education to be used in this State free of cost, providing it is adopted by authority in this State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Williams, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1187, entitled

A bill to designate who shall be elected by the delegates to the several county conventions in this State as delegates to the State convention in this State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Williams,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Dickenson, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1188, entitled

A bill to regulate the employment of porters and other employees by sleeping car and parlor car companies.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. J. H. Dickinson,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. J. H. Dickinson, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1189, entitled

A bill to provide that all hotels, public institutions, and other places where the public are entertained, treated and given accommodations, shall admit to their respective institutions or public places all persons without discrimination for accommodation or treatment for diseases, and to provide a penalty for those refusing so to do.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Chamberlain, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1190, entitled

A bill to provide for the disorganization of certain villages within this State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Gustin, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1191, entitled

A bill to provide for changing of the course of the Au Sable river, in Crawford county, in order to drain certain lands.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Gustin,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Gustin, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1192, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the county of Montmorency and attach the same to the county of Otsego.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Gustin,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Gustin, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1193, entitled

A bill to regulate the passage of bills in the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Gustin,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Gustin, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1194, entitled

A bill to provide for the geological survey of Alpena and Montmorency counties, and to appropriate State lands therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Gustin,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Gustin, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1195, entitled

A bill to construct a drain in Alpena township and to appropriate State lands therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Gustin,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Gustin, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1196, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21 of act No. 380 of the local acts of 1889, being an act entitled "An act to revise and amend an act entitled 'An act to reorganize the union school district of the city of Alpena, approved April 4, 1873,' and acts amendatory thereto," approved April 25, 1889.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Gustin,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Gustin, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1197, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93 and 94, of act No. 241 of the local acts of 1871, entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Alpena," approved March 29, 1871, as amended.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Gustin,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Gustin, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1198, entitled

A bill to incorporate the city of Alpena and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening the provisions of this act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Gustin,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Gustin, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1199, entitled

A bill to organize the township of Ellmore into a union school district.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Gustin,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Gustin, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1200, entitled

A bill to organize the township of Harrisville into a union school district.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Gustin,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Gustin, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1201, entitled

A bill to organize town 25 north, range 1 east, and town 25 north, range 2 east, town 26 north, range 1 east, and the west half of town 26 north, range 2 east, of Oscoda county, into a union school district.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Gustin,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Gustin, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1202, entitled

A bill to organize town 25 north, range 4 east, town 25 north, range 3 east, town 6 north, range 4 east, town 26 north, range 3 east, and the east half of town 26 north, range 3 east, into a union school district.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Gustin,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Goodell, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill 1203, entitled

A bill to prohibit the wearing of bloomers, so called, and short skirts, by females.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Goodell, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1204, entitled

A bill to establish a State bureau of advertising and provide for its maintenance.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Goodell,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Goodell, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1205, entitled

A bill to regulate the salaries of State officers, their deputies and all employed by them.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Goodell,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Gustin, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1206, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 9 of Art. 2 of act No. 198 of the public acts of 1893, being an act entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of railroad companies and to regulate the running and management, and to fix the duties and liabilities of railroads and other corporations owning or operating any railroad in this State," being compiler's Sec. 3323 of Howell's annotated statutes, as amended by act No.

177 of the public acts of 1877 and act No. 116 of the public acts of 1883, and act No. 230 of the public acts of 1887 and act No. 202 of the public acts of 1889 as amended by act No. 90 of the public acts 1891.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Railroads.

Mr. Gustin, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1207, entitled

A bill to provide for the organization and incorporation of social clubs and camping and outing associations.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Gustin,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Oberdorffer, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1208, entitled

A bill for the purpose of amending the election law.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Oberdorffer,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Adams, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1209, entitled

A bill in relation to the issue of mortgage bonds by street railway companies.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Adams,
The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on Home for Feeble Minded:

The committee on Home for Feeble Minded, to whom was referred
House bill No. 469, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the Michigan Home for Feeble Minded and Epileptic for the years 1897 and 1898;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

William Harris,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

On motion of Mr. Edgar,

The House took a recess for 30 minutes.

AFTER RECESS.

The House resumed the

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Chamberlain (for Mr. Kelly), unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1210, entitled

A bill to legalize the action of the board of supervisors of the county of Muskegon in the calling of an election for the purpose of voting on an issue of bonds amounting to \$90,000, and authorize said county to fund and refund its present indebtedness thereby.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Colvin, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1211, entitled

A bill amending the school law providing that no one shall be eligible to hold any school district office except he be a parent or guardian of children of school age.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Colvin,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Bates, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1212, entitled

A bill to revise and amend the charter of the city of Flint.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Billings, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1213, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 33 of Chap. 18 of the compiled laws of 1871, said chapter being entitled "An act for the reorganization of the military forces of the State of Michigan," said section being Sec. 860 of the compiled laws of 1871, and Sec. 900. of Howell's statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Billings,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Stoneman, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1214, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 17 of act No. 190 of the public acts of 1891, entitled "An act to prescribe the manner of conducting and to prevent fraud and (deception) deceptions at elections in this State," approved July 3, 1891, and acts amendatory thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Stoneman,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Dudley, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1215, entitled
A bill to amend the railroad law.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its
reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Dudley,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Molster, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1216, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 8 and 9, Chap. 11, charter of the city of Detroit,
authorizing the board of public works of the city of Detroit to provide
for the construction of any public works by day labor instead of by con-
tract.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its
reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Molster,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Molster, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1217, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 3 and 4 of act No. 228 of the public acts of 1889,
entitled "An act to provide for indeterminate sentences and disposition,
management and release of criminals under such sentence," as amended
by the several acts amendatory thereof, the same being Secs. 9613d and
9613e of Howell's annotated statutes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its
reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Molster,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Bates, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1218, entitled

A bill to prevent townships, villages and cities from issuing bonds
for the benefit of corporations or companies as a bonus or gift.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its
reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Bates,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Connors, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1219, entitled

A bill to authorize the city of Sault Ste. Marie to borrow money to
refund certain indebtedness and issue bonds therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its
reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Connors,
The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Buskirk, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1220, entitled

A bill appropriating two hundred thousand dollars for the support
and maintenance of the Northern Michigan Asylum for 1897 and 1898.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the
committee on Northern Asylum for Insane.

Mr. Mayer, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1221, entitled

A bill to authorize and empower certain townships in the counties of Ingham, Clinton and Gratiot to grant the right of way for the construction and maintaining electric or steam power railroads through said townships and for the proper regulating the operation of the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Mayer,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Mayer, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1222, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 55 of act No. 205, session laws of 1887, entitled "An act to revise the laws authorizing the business of banking, and to establish a banking department for the supervision of such business," as amended by act No. 195, session laws of 1893.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. F. Shepherd, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1223, entitled

A bill to regulate the fees of certain township officers.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Smith, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 1224, entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the general expenses of the State government, salaries of State officers, expenses of the State departments and expenses of the legislature for the years 1897 and 1898, and to provide a tax for the payment of the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Reed, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 1225, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the Industrial School for Boys for the years 1897 and 1898.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Industrial School for Boys.

By unanimous consent the following petitions were introduced:

No. 266. By Mr. Gillam: Remonstrance of D. C. Magabey and other citizens of Alcona county against changing the township boundaries in Alcona county.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 267. By Mr. Molster: Petition of Henry Cooper and many other citizens of Detroit asking for a division of the 15th ward of said city.

Referred to the committee on City Corporations.

No. 268. By Mr. Bates: Petition of E. J. Bennett & Co. and 18 other citizens of Flint, relative to House bill No. 28.

Referred to committee on State Affairs.

No. 269. By Mr. Bates: Petition of Hon. Geo. E. Taylor, judge of probate, and many other citizens of Flint, relative to House bill No. 28.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 270. By Mr. Molster: Petition of W. E. Beales and many other citizens of Detroit asking for a division of the fifteenth ward of said city.

Referred to committee on City Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Lusk,

The House took a recess for thirty minutes.

AFTER RECESS.

The House resumed the

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Smith, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1226, entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the State Normal School for the years 1897 and 1898.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Smith,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Smith, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1227, entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the Eastern Asylum for the Insane for the years 1897 and 1898.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Smith,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Smith, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1228, entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the Asylum for the Criminal Insane for the years 1897 and 1898.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Smith,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Smith, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1229, entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the Industrial Home for Girls for the years 1897 and 1898.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Smith,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Edgar, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1230, entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the general expenses of the State government, salaries of State officers, expenses of the State departments, and expenses of the legislature of the years 1897 and 1898, and to provide a tax for the payment of the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Edgar,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Edgar, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1231, entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the general expenses of the several State institutions of this State for the years 1897 and 1898 in cases in which no appropriation has been made for the expenses of such institutions, and to provide a tax for the payment of the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Edgar,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Perry, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 1232, entitled

A bill to provide for the support and maintenance of the patients in the Upper Peninsula Asylum for the Insane at Newberry, and to provide for the necessary expenses therefor during the years of 1897 and 1898, and to make an appropriation therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Perry,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Gustin, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House joint resolution No. 42, entitled

A joint resolution authorizing the commissioner of the State Land Office to sell certain State tax homestead lands to John Staley.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Atkinson, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House joint resolution No. 43, entitled

A joint resolution for the purchase of the portrait of Jacob M. Howard.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Lee, unanimous consent having been given and leave being granted, introduced.

House joint resolution No. 44, entitled

Joint resolution authorizing the Governor to issue a patent to Frederick F. Spiegel for the southwest quarter of the northwest quarter of Sec. 16, town 9 north, of range 2 east, the same being primary school land, certificate No. 10,889.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Lee,

The joint resolution was laid on the table.

Mr. Oberdorfer, unanimous consent being given, introduced House joint resolution No. 45, entitled

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 1 of article 7 of the constitution of this State relative to the qualification of electors.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Oberdorfer,

The joint resolution was laid on the table.

Mr. Chamberlain, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House joint resolution No. 46, entitled

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to the constitution relative to the time for the election of members of the supreme court and regents of the University.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain,

The joint resolution was laid on the table.

Mr. Adams, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House joint resolution No. 47, entitled

Joint resolution authorizing the Board of State Auditors to investigate, examine and settle any claim found to be due John H. Roberts for disbursements and expenditures, made by him as commissioner from the State of Michigan to the "Cotton States and International Exposition," held at Atlanta, Georgia, in the year 1895.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

On motion of Mr. Smith,

The House adjourned.



Lansing, Thursday, February 25, 1897.

The House met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Allen.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. Foote, Graham, Kelly, Miller, Peters and Stewart.

On motion of Mr. Mayer,

Leave of absence was granted to all absentees for the day.

On motion of Mr. Adams,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Peters on account of sickness in his family, indefinitely.

On motion of Mr. Davis,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Foote indefinitely on account of sickness.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 271. By Mr. Chamberlain: A memorial from 500 officers of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, Epworth League and Church Guild, representing tens of thousands of the women of Michigan, praying for the passage of, and protesting against the enactment of bills now under consideration.

On demand of Mr. Chamberlain,

The memorial was read at length and spread at large on the Journal, as follows:

To the Honorable, the Legislature of the State of Michigan:

Gentlemen—We, the undersigned officers of the State organizations of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, the Epworth League and the Church Guild, hereby petition your honorable body to enact into law the bill providing for the prohibition of the manufacture and sale of cigarettes within this State; the bill providing for the establishment of a prison for women, and the bill providing for matrons in the jails of the cities. And we desire to enter our earnest, prayerful and respectful protest against the passage of the bill providing for the lowering of the age of marriage, should such bill be presented for consideration to your honorable body.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 272. By Mr. Hammond: Resolution of board of supervisors of Oakland county relative to salaries for county officers instead of fees.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 273. By Mr. Molster: Petition of Mathew A. Kraus and 247 other citizens of Detroit relative to convict labor.

Referred to the committee on Labor.

No. 274. By Mr. Molster: Petition of James F. Kelly and 300 other citizens of Detroit relative to convict labor.

Referred to the committee on Labor.

No. 275. By Mr. C. C. Phillips: Petition of Woman's Club of Hartford, Van Buren county, relative to women physicians in State asylums having women inmates.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 276. By Mr. C. C. Phillips: Petition of I. S. Bunnell and 85 other citizens of Covert, Van Buren county, asking for a non-sectarian board of medical registration.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 277. By Mr. E. W. Moore: Petition of 3,275 residents of Battle Creek against the manufacture and sale of cigarettes.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 278. By Mr. E. W. Moore: Petition of the Woman's League of Battle Creek, composed of 258 members, asking that State asylums shall have one or more woman physicians.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 279. By Mr. ———: Petition of numerous women of Detroit for an extension of the widow's right of dower.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 280. By Mr. Hammond: Petition of common council of Pontiac for the amendment of the charter for cities of the fourth class.

Referred to the committee on City Corporations.

No. 281. By Mr. Fleischhauer: Petition of Sal. Kuhns and 23 others of Cherry Valley township relating to annexing Lake to Osceola county. Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 282. By Mr. Molster: Petition of 24 aldermen of Detroit relative to House bill No. 161, prison labor.

Referred to the committee on Labor.

No. 283. By Mr. Fleischhauer: Petition of James H. Sutton and 50 others of Dover township relating to annexing Lake to Osceola county.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 284. By Mr. Belknap: Petition of M. E. Weydmeyer of Cass City, and 66 others, asking for the passage of a bill prohibiting the sale of cigarettes.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 285. By Mr. L. D. Dickinson: Petition from the Nineteenth Century Club of Charlotte to provide for one or more women physicians in asylums having women inmates.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 286. By Mr. L. D. Dickinson: Petition of 75 citizens of Eaton county relative to quackery.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 287. By Mr. J. H. Dickinson: Petition of 36 citizens of Detroit relative to prison labor.

Referred to the committee on Labor.

No. 288. By Mr. Belknap: Petition of A. H. Hankerson and 64 others, leading citizens of Caro, asking for the passage of bill No. 150 compelling railroads to carry bicycles as baggage.

Referred to the committee on Railroads.

No. 289. By mail to the clerk: Petition of the Epworth League of Unionville, 50 members, for the prohibition of the manufacture and sale of cigarettes.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 290. By mail to the clerk: Petition of officers and members of the M. E. church of Unionville for the prohibition of the manufacture and sale of cigarettes.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 291. By Mr. Donovan: Petition of 33 women of Detroit in favor of the "Curfew" bill.

On demand of Mr. Donovan,

The petition was read at length and spread at large on the Journal, as follows:

We, the undersigned residents of Detroit, do most earnestly pray your honorable body to favorable consider the House bill No. 250, known as the "Curfew bill."

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 292. By Mr. M. F. Phillips: Petition of the 19th Century Club of Dowagiac, Cass county, in favor of the passage of House bill No. 602.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 293. By Mr. Fuller: Petition of business men of Seney, Schoolcraft county, Mich., in favor of the passage of bill providing for a normal school in the upper peninsula.

Referred to the committee on Education.

No. 294. By Mr. Fuller: Petition of the teachers of Seney, Schoolcraft county, in favor a bill establishing a normal school in the upper peninsula.

Referred to the committee on Education.

No. 295. By Mr. Fuller: Petition of the business men of Cooks, Schoolcraft county, Mich., in favor of a bill establishing a normal school in the upper peninsula.

Referred to the committee on Education.

No. 296. Br. Mr. Fuller: Petition of the teachers and business men of Thompson, Schoocraft county, in favor of a bill establishing a normal school in the upper peninsula.

Referred to the committee on Education.

No. 297. By Mr. Connors: Petition of H. M. Oren and 86 others of Sault Ste. Marie, to establish and maintain a State normal school in the upper peninsula.

Referred to the committee on Education.

No. 298. By Mr. Donovan: Petition of 69 women of Detroit in favor of the "Curfew" bill.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 299. By Mr. Donovan: Petition of 19 teachers of the Norwell school, 13 teachers of the Amos school, and 32 other women of Detroit, in favor of the "Curfew" bill.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 300. By Mr. Harris: Petition of Atwood Grange No. 691, of Antrim county, in favor of salaries to county officers.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 301. By Mr. Harris: Petition of Atwood Grange No. 691, of Antrim county, in favor of tax statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 302. By Mr. Harris: Petition of Atwood Grange No. 691, of Antrim county, in favor of coloring oleomargarine.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 303. By Mr. Harris: Petition of Atwood Grange No. 691, of Antrim county, in favor of farmers' institutes.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 304. By Mr. Harris: Petition of Atwood Grange No. 691, of Antrim county, in favor of cutting off appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 305. By Mr. Harris: Petition of Atwood Grange No. 691, of Antrim county, against repeal of law for gathering crop statistics.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 306. By Mr. Harris: Petition of Atwood Grange No. 691, of Antrim county, in favor of traveling libraries.

Referred to the committee on State Library.

No. 307. By Mr. Marsilje: Petition of the Holland Rod and Gun Club to prohibit the shooting of ducks on the water of Black River lake, Macatawa bay, in Ottawa county, from sailboats, steam, electric and naphtha launches.

Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

No. 308. By Mr. Marsilje: Petition of the Holland Rod and Gun Club to make it lawful to take and destroy German carp from the water of Black River lake, Macatawa bay, and from the streams tributary thereto.

Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

No. 309. By Mr. Mayer: Petition of the West Side Literary Club, 30 members, of Lansing, relative to women physicians in State asylums.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 310. By Mr. Anderson: Petition of John J. Moss and 39 others in favor of allowing relief to Louis Schmidt.

Referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

No. 311. By Mr. Bates: Petition of J. G. Smalley and 93 other citizens of Flint relative to the carrying of bicycles as railroad baggage.

Referred to the committee on Railroads.

No. 312. By Mr. Campbell: Petition of Fraternity Grange No. 52, relative to appeals from justices courts.

On demand of Mr. Campbell,

The petition was read at length and spread at large on the Journal, as follows:

WHEREAS, A considerable saving can be made each year to every county in the State and not defeat justice, by the prevention of appeals from justice to circuit courts, when less than \$50 is involved;

Therefore, We, the members of Fraternity Grange No. 52, respectfully petition your honorable body to pass into law the bill introduced in the House by Mr. Campbell, and covering the proposition as herein expressed.

Helen H. Kelly,
Secretary,
F. J. Fletcher,
Master.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 313. By Mr. Campbell: Petition of Fraternity Grange No. 52 for passage of anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 314. By Mr. Campbell: Petition of Fraternity Grange No. 52 in favor of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 315. By Mr. Pearson: Petition of Charity Grange No. 417 in favor of bill to prevent coloring oleomargarine.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 316. By Mr. Pearson: Petition of Charity Grange No. 417 in favor of continuing the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 317. By Mr. Pearson: Petition of Charity Grange No. 417 in favor of traveling libraries.

Referred to the committee on State Library.

No. 318. By Mr. Pearson: Petition of Charity Grange No. 417 in favor of bill to prevent appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 319. By Mr. Pearson: Petition of Charity Grange No. 417 in favor of farmers' institute.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 320. By Mr. Pearson: Petition of Charity Grange No. 417 in favor of county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 321. By Mr. Eikhoff: Petition of 237 citizens of Detroit relative to convict labor.

Referred to the committee on Labor.

No. 322. By Mr. E. W. Moore: Memorial of State conference of health officers of Michigan for an appropriation for the State Board of Health.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on Fisheries and Game:

The committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred House bill No. 571, entitled

A bill to revise and amend the laws for the protection of game;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

Geo. B. Davis,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Davis,

The request was granted, and the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee.

By the committee on Fisheries and Game:

The committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred House bill No. 971, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 6 of act No. 188 of the public acts of 1875, entitled "An act to regulate the catching of fish in certain waters of this State;"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

Geo. B. Davis,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Davis,

The request was granted, and the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee.

By the committee on Fisheries and Game:

The committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred House bill No. 972, entitled

A bill to regulate the catching of fish in the waters of this State;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

Geo. B. Davis,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Davis,

The request was granted, and the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee.

By the committee on Fisheries and Game:

The committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred
House bill No. 659, entitled

A bill to require all persons fishing with nets or similar appliances in the waters of this State, to obtain a license therefor, and to provide a penalty for using such nets or similar appliances without such license;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

Geo. B. Davis,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Davis,

The request was granted, and the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee.

By the committee on Fisheries and Game:

The committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred
House bill No. 658, entitled

A bill to regulate the catching of fish in the waters of this State by the use of pound or trap nets, gill nets, seines and other apparatus;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

Geo. B. Davis,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Davis,

The request was granted, and the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee.

By the committee on Agriculture:

The committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred
House bill No. 388, entitled

A bill to authorize the Midland County Agricultural Society, of Midland county, Michigan, to issue its bonds in the sum of \$1,500 to pay the indebtedness of said society and to improve its buildings and grounds;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

L. E. Belknap,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Donovan,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams
Allison

Mr. Donovan
Dudley

Mr. Oberdorffer
O'Dett

Mr. Alward	Mr. Eikhoff	Mr. Otis
Anderson	Fleischhauer	Pearson
Atkinson	Foster	Peek
Babcock, C. G.	Fuller	Perry
Babcock, H.	Gibson	Petrowsky
Bates	Goodell	Phillips, M. F.
Belknap	Goodyear	Powers
Bemis	Green	Putney
Billings	Gustin	Reed
Bricker	Hammond	Rulison
Bryan	Harris	Savage
Cahoon	Herrig	Scully
Caldwell	Hofmeister	Shepherd, F.
Camburn	Jackson	Shisler
Campbell	January	Smith
Chamberlain	Kerr	Stoneman
Clark	Kimmis	Tefft
Clute	Lee	Van Camp
Coad	Lusk	Vought
Colvin	Madill	Weier
Connors	Marsilje	Wetherbee
Cousins	Mayer	Whitney
Crippen	McGill	Widoe
Davis	Moore, E. W.	Zimmerman
Dickinson, J. H.	Niedermeyer	Speaker
Dickinson, L. D.		

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Donovan,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

By the committee on City Corporations:

The committee on City Corporations, to whom was referred House bill No. 169, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 466 of the local acts of 1895, being an act to re-incorporate the city of North Muskegon, in Muskegon county, and to detach certain territory from the town of Laketon, in said county, and attach the same to said city, and to detach certain territory from the former city of North Muskegon and attach the same to the town of Laketon, and to repeal act No. 215 of the local acts of 1891, entitled "An act to incorporate the city of North Muskegon, in Muskegon county, and to detach certain territory from Muskegon township, in said county, and attach the same to said city and to repeal act No. 259 of the local acts of 1881, entitled 'An act to incorporate the village of North Muskegon.'" by amending Secs. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14 of Chap. 8, and by adding two new sections to Chap. 2 of said act, being Secs. 9 and 10;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without

amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

P. Herrig,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Whitney,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Dudley	Mr. O'Dett
Alward	Fleischhauer	Otis
Anderson	Fuller	Pearson
Babcock, C. G.	Gibson	Peek
Babcock, H.	Goodell	Perry
Bates	Goodyear	Petrowsky
Belknap	Green	Phillips, M. F.
Billings	Gustin	Putney
Bricker	Hammond	Reed
Bryan	Harris	Rullison
Buskirk	Herrig	Savage
Cahoon	Hofmeister	Scully
Caldwell	Jackson	Shepard, F. M.
Camburn	January	Shepherd, F.
Campbell	Kerr	Shisler
Chamberlain	Kimmis	Smith
Clark	Lee	Stoneman
Coad	Lusk	Tefft
Colvin	Madill	Van Camp
Connors	Marsilje	Vought
Cousins	Mayer	Weier
Crippen	McGill	Whitney
Davis	Moore, E. W.	Widoe
Dickinson, J. H.	Niedermeler	Zimmerman
Dickinson, L. D.	Oberdorffer	Speaker

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Whitney,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

By the committee on City Corporations:

The committee on City Corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 968, entitled

A bill to provide for the registration of electors in the city of Alpena;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without

amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

P. Herrig,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Gustin,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Donovan	Mr. Niedermeier
Allison	Dudley	Oberdorffer
Alward	Eikhoff	O'Dett
Anderson	Fleischhauer	Otis
Atkinson	Foster	Pearson
Babcock, C. G.	Fuller	Perry
Babcock, H.	Gibson	Petrowsky
Bates	Goodell	Phillips, M. F.
Belknap	Goodyear	Powers
Bemis	Green	Putney
Billings	Gustin	Reed
Bricker	Hammond	Rulison
Bryan	Harris	Savage
Buskirk	Herrig	Scully
Cahoon	Hofmeister	Shepard, F. M.
Caldwell	Jackson	Shepherd, F.
Camburn	January	Shisler
Campbell	Kerr	Smith
Chamberlain	Kimmis	Tefft
Clark	Lee	Van Camp
Coad	Lusk	Vought
Colvin	Madill	Weler
Connors	Marsilje	Wetherbee
Cousins	Mayer	Whitney
Crippen	McGill	Widoe
Davis	Molster	Zimmerman
Dickinson, J. H.	Moore, E. W.	Speaker
Dickinson, L. D.	Moore, M. G.	

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Camburn,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

By the committee on Towns and Counties:

The committee on Towns and Counties, to whom was referred

House bill No. 501, entitled

A bill to authorize the village of Munising, in the county of Alger and State of Michigan, to borrow money with which to purchase or construct a water works plant, or any other public improvement, for said village;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Thos. M. Camburn,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Fuller,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Elkhoff	Mr. O'Dett
Allison	Fleischhauer	Pearson
Atkinson	Foster	Peek
Babcock, C. G.	Fuller	Perry
Babcock, H.	Gibson	Petrowsky
Bates	Goodell	Phillips, M. F.
Belknap	Goodyear	Powers
Bemis	Green	Putney
Bricker	Hammond	Reed
Bryan	Harris	Rulison
Buskirk	Herrig	Savage
Cahoon	Hofmeister	Scully
Caldwell	Jackson	Shepard, F. M.
Camburn	January	Shepherd, F.
Campbell	Kerr	Shisler
Chamberlain	Kimmis	Smith
Clark	Lee	Stoneman
Clute	Lusk	Tefft
Coad	Madill	Van Camp
Colvin	Marsilje	Vought
Connors	Mayer	Weier
Cousins	Molster	Wetherbee
Crippen	Moore, E. W.	Whitney
Dickinson, J. H.	Moore, M. G.	Widoe
Dickinson, L. D.	Niedermeyer	Zimmerman
Donovan	Oberdorffer	Speaker

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Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Fuller,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

By the committee on State Affairs:

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 479, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 7 of the session laws of 1881, being Sec. 418 of Howell's annotated statutes, relative to State institutions and regulations relating thereto, as amended by act No. 86 of the public acts of 1889;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Henry Lee,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State Affairs:

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 602, entitled

A bill to regulate the treatment and care of female patients in the insane asylums and the Home for Feeble Minded and Epileptic;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Henry Lee,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State Affairs:

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 480, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 5 of act No. 176 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act empowering the Governor and Board of State Auditors to authorize the rebuilding or repair of any building owned by the State of Michigan which may at any time be destroyed by fire, explosion or other accident, and making a contingent appropriation therefor;"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Henry Lee,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Education:

The committee on Education, to whom was referred

House bill No. 243, entitled

A bill to amend the title and Secs. 1 and 15 of act No. 176 of the public acts of 1891, entitled "An act for the organization of school districts in the upper peninsula," approved June 30, 1891;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. Bemis,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Education:

The committee on Education, to whom was referred

House bill No. 94, entitled

A bill to provide for more perfectly taking the census of school children, and to impose a penalty upon persons giving to census enumerators false information;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying substitute therefor, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 22, paragraph 49, general school laws, the same being paragraph 5074 of Howell's annotated statutes, relative to the school census, and to add a new section thereto;

Recommending that the substitute be concurred in, and that the substitute do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. Bemis,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Bemis,

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 24, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 830, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 49 of Chap. 2 of act No. 468 of the local acts of 1895, entitled "An act to amend and revise Chaps. 1 and 2 of an act entitled 'An act to provide a charter for the city of Detroit, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith,'" approved June 7, 1893;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. January,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

The bill was then referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 25, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 443, entitled

A bill to repeal act No. 100 of the public acts of 1893, entitled "An act making it a misdemeanor to take fish from the waters of Diamond lake in Cass county during the months of December, January, February and March, excepting by certain prescribed means, and to prescribe penalties for the violation of this act;"

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has been ordered to take immediate effect, and in all of which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. M. F. Phillips,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Donovan	Mr. Oberdorffer
Allison	Fleischhauer	O'Dett
Alward	Gibson	Pearson
Anderson	Gillam	Perry
Atkinson	Goodell	Phillips, C. C.
Babcock, C. G.	Goodyear	Phillips, M. F.
Bemis	Green	Powers
Billings	Gustin	Putney
Bricker	Hammond	Rullison
Bryan	Harris	Savage
Buskirk	Hofmeister	Sawyer
Cahoon	Jackson	Scully
Camburn	January	Shepard, F. M.
Campbell	Kelly	Shepherd, F.
Clark	Kerr	Stoneman

Mr. Clute
Coad
Colvin
Connors
Cousins
Crippen
Davis
Dickinson, J. H.

Mr. Kimmis
Lee
Lusk
Marsilje
McGill
Molster
Moore, E. W.
Moore, M. G.

Mr. Vought
Weier
Whitney
Widoe
Williams
Wing
Speaker

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. M. F. Phillips,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 25, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 968, entitled

A bill to provide for the re-registration of electors in the city of Alpena;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 25, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 121 (file No. 19), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 6 of act 187 of the session laws of 1887, approved June 17, 1887, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of co-operative and mutual benefit associations, and to define the powers and duties and to regulate the transaction of the business of all such corporations and associations doing business within this State," and to add two new sections thereto to stand as Secs. 32 and 33;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on Enrol and presentation to the Governor.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. L. D. Dickinson, offered the following:

Resolved, That when the House adjourn today, it assemble tomorrow morning.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Lee moved to take from the table,

House bill No. 543, entitled

A bill to vacate the village of Hadley in the county of Hadley.

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Lee,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, and the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Allison	Mr. Edgar	Mr.
Alward	Eikhoff	
Anderson	Fleischhauer	
Atkinson	Fuller	
Babcock, C. G.	Gibson	
Babcock, H.	Goodell	
Bates	Goodyear	
Bemis	Green	
Bricker	Gustin	
Bryan	Hammond	
Buskirk	Harris	
Cahoon	Herrig	
Caldwell	Hofmeister	
Chamberlain	Jackson	
Clark	January	
Clute	Kerr	
Coad	Klimmis	
Colvin	Lee	
Connors	Lusk	
Cousins	Madill	
Crippen	Marsilje	
Davis	McGill	
Dickinson, L. D.	Molster	
Donovan	Moore, M. G.	
Dudley	Niedermeler	

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Lee,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill take immediate effect.

Mr. Clark moved to take from the table,

House bill No. 626, entitled

A bill to empower school district No. 1 of the city of Ludington to borrow money and issue bonds therefor.

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Clark,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Elkhoff	Mr. O'Dett
Allison	Fleischhauer	Otis
Alward	Foster	Pearson
Babcock, C. G.	Fuller	Peek
Babcock, H.	Gibson	Perry
Bates	Goodell	Petrowsky
Bemis	Green	Phillips, C. C.
Billings	Gustin	Phillips, M. F.
Bricker	Hammond	Powers
Buskirk	Harris	Reed
Cahoon	Hofmeister	Rulison
Caldwell	Jackson	Savage
Camburn	Kelly	Scully
Chamberlain	Kerr	Shepard, F. M.
Clark	Kimmis	Shisler
Clute	Lee	Stoneman
Coad	Lusk	Tefft
Colvin	Madill	Van Camp
Connors	Marsilje	Vought
Cousins	Mayer	Weier
Crippen	McGill	Wetherbee
Davis	Molster	Whitney
Dickinson, L. D.	Moore, E. W.	Widoe
Donovan	Niedermeyer	Zimmerman
Dudley	Oberdorffer	Speaker
Edgar		

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Clark,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Mayer moved to take from the table,

House joint resolution No. 38, entitled

Joint resolution authorizing the township board of the township of Delhi, in the county of Ingham, to settle with Simon Diehl, former treasurer of said township, for moneys received by him as such treasurer for the years 1892 and 1893, by him deposited in the Central Michigan Savings bank of Lansing, Michigan.

Which motion prevailed.

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the joint resolution was put upon its immediate passage.

The joint resolution was then read a third time and passed, two-thirds of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Dudley	Mr. Oberdorffer
Allison	Edgar	O'Dett
Alward	Eikhoff	Pearson
Anderson	Fleischhauer	Peek
Babcock, C. G.	Foster	Perry
Babcock, H.	Fuller	Petrowsky
Bates	Goodell	Phillips, C. C.
Bemis	Goodyear	Phillips, M. F.
Bricker	Green	Powers
Buskirk	Gustin	Putney
Cahoon	Hammond	Reed
Caldwell	Harris	Rullison
Campbell	Hofmeister	Savage
Chamberlain	January	Scully
Clark	Kimmis	Shepard, F. M.
Clute	Lee	Shisler
Coad	Lusk	Stoneman
Colvin	Madill	Van Camp
Connors	Mayer	Weier
Cousins	McGill	Whitney
Crippen	Molster	Widoe
Davis	Moore, E. W.	Williams
Dickinson, J. H.	Moore, M. G.	Zimmerman
Donovan	Niedermeyer	Speaker

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Title and preamble agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Mayer,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Wetherbee moved to take from the table the following:

Resolved, That the Auditor General is hereby instructed to furnish to the committee on Labor a statement of the amount of money that has been appropriated to the State Prison, Ionia House of Correction, Marquette Prison, and the amount of money paid for the board of State prisoners to the Detroit House of Correction from the date of establishment of the aforesaid institutions to the present time.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Wetherbee offered the following:

WHEREAS, The Attorney General has since the legislature conv greatly assisted the members of the House in the preparation of and resolutions, and

WHEREAS, He has freely and generously given unlimited time and attention to their wants, keeping his office open early and late for their convenience; therefore be it

Resolved, That the thanks of this House be tendered Attorney General Maynard for his valuable assistance and for the uniform and kindly spirit in which it was rendered.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Adams offered the following:

Resolved by the House, That the resolution respecting the pay of the committee clerks of this House, Passed January 15 last, be and the same is hereby rescinded.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Atkinson offered the following:

Resolved, That on Tuesday, April 13, the House will go into committee of the whole to consider the bills relating to railroad fares, freight charges and taxation, and that such bills shall constitute a special order for that day and until disposed of.

Mr. C. C. Phillips moved that the resolution be referred to the committee on Railroads.

Pending which,

Mr. Davis moved that the resolution do lie on the table.

Which motion did not prevail.

The question then being on the motion that the resolution be referred to the committee on Railroads,

Mr. Kelly demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded, and the motion to refer did not prevail, by yeas and nays as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams
Anderson
Bates
Billings
Camburn
Campbell
Connors
Davis
Dudley
Edgar
Fleischhauer
Fuller

Mr. Graham
Gustin
Hammond
Harris
Hofmeister
Kimmis
Lee
Madill
Marsilje
Mayer
McGill
O'Dett

Mr. Pearson
Peek
Phillips, C. C.
Reed
Rulison
Shepard, F. M.
Van Camp
Whitney
Williams
Wing
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Mr. Allison
Alward
Atkinson
Babcock, C. G.
Babcock, H.
Bemis
Bricker
Bryan

Mr. Crippen
Dickinson, J. H.
Donovan
Eikhoff
Gibson
Goodell
Green
Jackson

Mr. Perry
Petrowsky
Phillips, M. F.
Powers
Putney
Savage
Sawyer
Scully

Mr. Buskirk
Cahoon
Caldwell
Clark
Clute
Coad
Colvin
Cousins

Mr. January
Kelly
Lusk
Molster
Moore, E. W.
Moore, M. G.
Niedermeler
Oberdorffer

Mr. Shepherd, F.
Shisler
Stoneman
Vought
Weler
Wetherbee
Widoe
Zimmerman

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The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

On motion of Mr. Atkinson,

The resolution was laid on the table.

Mr. Colvin moved to take from the table,

House bill No. 674, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 356 of the local acts of 1889, entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Merrill in Saginaw county," by adding one section thereto to stand as Sec. 6.

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Colvin,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill having been read a third time, and the question being upon its passage, pending the taking of the vote thereon,

Mr. Gustin moved that the bill be referred to the committee on Village Corporations.

Which motion did not prevail.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams

Allison

Alward

Anderson

Atkinson

Babcock, C. G.

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Billings

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Colvin

Connors

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Mr. Dickinson, J. H.

Donovan

Edgar

Fleischhauer

Gibson

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Goodyear

Hammond

Harris

Hofmeister

January

Kerr

Kimmis

Lee

Lusk

McGill

Moore, E. W.

Niedermeier

Mr. Pearson

Perry

Petrowsky

Phillips, C. C.

Phillips, M. F.

Powers

Putney

Reed

Rulison

Savage

Sawyer

Scully

Shepard, F. M.

Shepherd, F.

Vought

Weler

Widoe

Williams

Wing

Mr. Cousins
Crippen
Davis

Mr. Oberdorffer
O'Dett

Mr. Zimmerman
Speaker

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NAYS.

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Colvin,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Donovan moved to take from the table,

House bill No. 895, entitled

A bill to change the name of Margaret Matilda Hutchinson of Bay county to Margaret Matilda Shearer.

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Donovan,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams

Allison

Alward

Anderson

Atkinson

Babcock, C. G.

Babcock, H.

Bemis

Billings

Bricker

Bryan

Buskirk

Cahoon

Campbell

Clark

Clute

Coad

Colvin

Connors

Cousins

Crippen

Davis

Dickinson, J. H.

Donovan

Mr. Dudley

Fleischhauer

Fuller

Gibson

Gillam

Goodell

Goodyear

Green

Gustin

Hammond

Harris

Hofmeister

Jackson

January

Kelly

Kerr

Kimmis

Lee

Lusk

Marsilje

McGill

Molster

Moore, E. W.

Mr. Oberdorffer

O'Dett

Pearson

Peek

Perry

Phillips, C. C.

Phillips, M. F.

Putney

Reed

Rulison

Savage

Sawyer

Scully

Shepard, F. M.

Stoneman

Vought

Weier

Whitney

Widoe

Williams

Wing

Zimmerman

Speaker

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NAYS.

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Donovan,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 395, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 121 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to prevent the spearing of fish in the waters of Long lake in Genesee county;"

Which motion prevailed.

The pending question being a motion that the bill be ordered to take immediate effect,

The motion then prevailed, two-thirds of all the members elect voting therefor.

Mr. Lusk offered the following:

Resolved, That the Sergeant-at-Arms be and is hereby directed to secure and place in the room of the committee on City Corporations and other committee rooms where needed, additional seating accommodations;

Which was adopted.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS,

Being the consideration of the following:

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That a committee of five (two members of the Senate and three members of the House) be appointed to investigate the merits of the different voting machines, and report to the legislature the advisability or inadvisability of adopting some particular voting machine to be used at elections to be held in this State.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The resolution was adopted.

Also the following:

Concurrent resolution requesting the Attorney General to proceed against certain gravel and plank road companies or corporations.

WHEREAS, It appears to the satisfaction of the Senate and House of Representatives that a number of gravel and plank road companies of this State have not complied with the provisions of the laws under which they are incorporated; and

WHEREAS, It is believed by such violation they have forfeited their charters and the right to exact toll; therefore be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That the Attorney General is hereby authorized and instructed to receive all complaints that may be made to him relative to such alleged violations and to make an examination himself; and if, after such hearings and investigations, he is satisfied that such corporations have forfeited their charters and their corporate privileges, and franchises, by neglecting or refusing to comply with the terms of the acts under which they were incorporated, then, and in such case, he, with such assistance or assistants as may be necessary, shall institute such proceedings in the courts of this State as shall be suitable in the premises, and as he shall deem necessary to cause such charters forfeited, and to protect the interests of the people of the State of Michigan. All necessary expenses shall be paid on the presentation of itemized vouchers by warrant of the Auditor General on the State Treasurer on any moneys therein not otherwise appropriated;

Which,

On motion of Mr. Davis,

Was laid on the table.

Also the following:

WHEREAS, It appears that the opening and extension of Jerome street, in the city of Lansing, from Bismarck street westward to Pennsylvania avenue, to connect with that part of said Jerome street now opened and in use on the west of Pennsylvania avenue, would be beneficial to the property owners along the line of Jerome street, so opened and extended, and

WHEREAS, Such extension would, in a part of its course, be across land owned by the State of Michigan, and

WHEREAS, Request has been made for the opening and extension of said Jerome street from Bismarck street eastward to Pennsylvania avenue, therefore be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate Concurring), That the city of Lansing is hereby authorized to open and extend Jerome street, in said city, westward from Bismarck street to Pennsylvania avenue, across any and all lands owned by the State of Michigan between Bismarck street and Pennsylvania avenue, in said city of Lansing, said opening and extension to be of the same width as said Jerome street is where it crosses said Bismarck street, as shown by the recorded plat thereof, said opening and extension to be done and made at some future time, at the option of said city of Lansing and without expense to the State of Michigan.

Which,

On motion of Mr. Anderson,

Was referred to the committee on State Affairs.

The Speaker announced the following:

Committee to investigate and report in the relation to salaries and of all persons employed by the State receiving a salary equal to or in excess of \$800 per annum, in pursuance of resolution adopted Feb. 19: Messrs. Goodell, Fleischhauer, Smith.

Mr. Adams moved that the House adjourn,

Which motion prevailed, and

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until 10 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

Lansing, Friday, February 26, 1897.

The House met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Miller.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. Colvin, Connors, Gustin, January, Kelly, Miller and Stewart.

On motion of Mr. Otis,

Leave of absence was granted to all absentees for the day.

On motion of Mr. Bates,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Colvin indefinitely on account of sickness.

On motion of Mr. Lusk,

Leave of absence was granted to himself for Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Bemis,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Miller indefinitely on account of sickness.

On motion of Mr. McGill,

Leave of absence was granted to himself until Wednesday next.

On motion of Mr. Harris,

Leave of absence was granted to himself until Tuesday next.

On motion of Mr. F. Shepherd,

Leave of absence was granted to himself for Monday next.

On motion of E. W. Moore,

Leave of absence was granted to himself until Tuesday next.

On motion of Mr. Wetherbee,

Leave of absence was granted to himself for the afternoon.

On motion of Mr. Shisler,

Leave of absence was granted to himself for the afternoon.

On motion of Mr. Whitney,

Leave of absence was granted to himself for the afternoon.

On motion of Mr. Powers,

Leave of absence was granted to himself for the afternoon.

The Speaker announced the following:

Lansing, Mich., Feb. 26, 1897.

I hereby resign my position as Clerk's Messenger on account of other business arrangements, to take effect at the end of this month.

Louis J. May.

The Speaker also announced the following:

The above resignation having been accepted, I hereby appoint as Clerk's Messenger, Frank H. Pressley, of Ingham, to take effect March 1.

Lewis M. Miller,
Clerk.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 323. By Mr. Pearson: Remonstrance against repeal of Farm Statistics law.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 324. By Mr. Pearson: Petition from the Rural Grange, No. 566, asking for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 325. By Mr. Pearson: Petition from Rural Grange, No. 566, in favor of traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 326. By Mr. Pearson: Petition of Rural Grange, No. 566, to prevent appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 327. By Mr. Pearson: Petition from Rural Grange, No. 566, favoring passage of Anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 328. By Mr. Pearson: Petition of Rural Grange, No. 566, in favor of continuing the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 329. By Mr. Pearson: Petition from Rural Grange, No. 566, in favor of Farmers' Institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 330. By Mr. Adams: Petition of Grand Rapids Bricklayers' Union and 35 others urging passage of Molster bill 161 relative to convict labor.

Referred to the committee on Labor.

No. 331. By Mr. Wing: Petition of A. P. Drake and 10 others of Hastings, Barry county, relative to bill against quackery.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 332. By Mr. Eikhoff: Petition of 300 citizens of Detroit, in favor of House bill 161, in reference to prison labor.

Referred to the committee on Labor.

No. 333. By Mr. Donovan: Petition of the Ann Arbor Woman's Christian Temperance Union, representing 70 members, in favor of bills to establish a reformatory prison for women, for police matrons in the several cities of the State, to put women on the boards of control of State institutions, and for the passage of "Curfew" bill; also asking the defeat of the bill to lower the age of marriage.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 334. By Mr. Donovan: Petition of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Williamston, representing 60 members, in favor of passage of "Curfew" bill.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 335. By Mr. Donovan: Petition of the W. C. T. U. of Clinton county, representing 250 members, relative to "Curfew" bill.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 336. By Mr. Donovan: Petition of the London W. C. T. U., numbering 10 members, in favor of passage of "Curfew" bill.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 337. By Mr. Donovan: Petition of the Stanton Union for the passage of the following bills: To prohibit the manufacture and sale of cigarettes, to establish a reformatory prison for women, a bill in relation to police matrons, a bill to put women on boards of control of State institutions, and the "Curfew" bill.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 338. By Mr. Donovan: Petition of Big Prairie Union (25 members) asking for the passage of the "Curfew" bill.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 339. By Mr. Donovan: Petition of the W. C. T. U. of Saugatuck, asking for the passage of the following bills: A bill to prohibit the manufacture and sale of cigarettes, bill to establish a reformatory prison for women, a bill in relation to police matrons, House bill No. 72 to woman on boards of control of State institutions, bill for curfew bell, and opposing the bill to lower legal age of marriage.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 340. By Mr. Fleischhauer: Petition of Dr. E. S. Richardson and 39 others praying for the passage of the medical bill.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 341. By Mr. Fleischhauer: Memorial relating to annexing Lake to Osceola county.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 342. By Mr. Vought: Petition of Arcada Grange, No. 500, favoring the continuing of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 343. By Mr. Vought: Petition from Arcada Grange, No. 500, favoring appropriation for farmers' institutes.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 344. By Mr. Vought: Petition of Arcada Grange, No. 500, favoring the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 345. By Mr. Vought: Petition of Arcada Grange, No. 500, favoring traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 346. By Mr. Vought: Petition of Arcada Grange, No. 500, asking for the passage of the Kimmis county salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 347. By Mr. Vought: Petition of Arcada Grange, No. 500, favoring the passage of the bill to prevent appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 348. By Mr. Vought: Remonstrance of Arcada Grange, No. 500, against repeal of farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 349. By Mr. Kimmis: Petition of Plymouth Literary Club asking for the passage of House bill No. 602.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 350. By Mr. Kimmis: Petition of Oxford Farmers' Club asking for passage of House bill No. 198.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 351. By Mr. Vought: Petition of St. Louis Monday Club for the passage of bill relative to women physicians at State asylums.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 352. By Mr. Fuller: Petition of T. J. Streeter and 68 other freeholders of Garden, Delta county, in favor of a bill detaching territory from Delta county and attaching same to Schoolcraft county.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 353. By Mr. Fuller: Petition of H. B. Hazen and 19 other freeholders of Sac Bay, Delta county, on the same subject.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 354. By Mr. Fuller: Petition of Harry Hutchins and 28 other freeholders of Fairbanks, Delta county, on the same subject.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 355. By Mr. Camburn: Petition of Wolf Creek Grange, No. 708, of Wolf Creek, Mich., asking for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 356. By Mr. Camburn: Petition of Ogden Grange, No. 660, asking for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 357. By Mr. Camburn: Petition of Wolf Creek Grange, No. 708, asking for the passage of anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 358. By Mr. Camburn: Petition of Ogden Grange, No. 660, asking for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 359. By Mr. Camburn: Petition of Ogden Grange, No. 660, asking for the passage of the bill to prevent appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 360. By Mr. Camburn: Petition of Wolf Creek Grange, No. 708, asking for the passage of the bill to prevent appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 361. By Mr. Camburn: Petition of Ogden Grange, No. 660, asking for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 362. By Mr. Camburn: Petition of Wolf Creek Grange, No. 708, asking for traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 363. By Mr. Camburn: Petition of Wolf Creek Grange, No. 708, for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 364. By Mr. Hammond: Petition of the Webster-Oakland Farmers' Club favoring the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 365. By Mr. Savage: Petition of Geo. W. Weadock and 29 other citizens of Saginaw asking the passage of medical bill.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 366. Petition of A. H. Rolph and 62 other business men of Escanaba in favor of the passage of a bill to amend Sec. 2 of Chap. 276 of Howell's annotated statutes, relative to garnishees in justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on Normal School:

The committee on Normal School, to whom was referred

House bill No. 430, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the current expenses of the Michigan State Normal School for the years 1897 and 1898, and to erect and equip a plant for heating and lighting the Normal School buildings, and for added library facilities;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House with amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

F. C. Chamberlain,

Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

presented to the Governor,
House bill No. 336, entitled
An act to re-incorporate the city of Ironwood in the county of Gogebic,
and to repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent therewith;
For which your committee hold the receipt of the Executive office
dated Feb. 25, 1897, at 5:04 o'clock p. m.

George E. Gillam,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and
presented to the Governor

House bill No. 968, entitled

An act to provide for the registration of electors in the city of Alpena;

For which your committee hold the receipt of the Executive office
dated February 26, 1897, at 10:08 o'clock a. m.

George E. Gillam,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Insurance:

The committee on Insurance, to whom was referred

House bill No. 173, entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of the Finnish Temperance
Friends Association of America;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration,
and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with amend-
ments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and
that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the
further consideration of the subject.

W. R. Bates,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Bates,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the com-
mittee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the
whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Towns and Counties:

The committee on Towns and Counties, to whom was referred

House bill No. 918, entitled

A bill to authorize the township of Arenac, in the county of Arenac,
to borrow money upon its bonds for the improvement with stone of cer-
tain highways in that township and to appoint a special commissioner to
make such improvements;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under considerat-
and have directed me to report the same back to the House with

amendment and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

T. M. Camburn,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Gillam,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefore, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Dudley	Mr. O'Dett
Allison	Elkhoff	Otis
Alward	Fleischhauer	Pearson
Atkinson	Foster	Peek
Babcock, C. G.	Fuller	Perry
Babcock, H.	Gibson	Phillips, M. F.
Bates	Gillam	Powers
Bemis	Goodell	Putney
Billings	Goodyear	Reed
Bricker	Graham	Rulison
Bryan	Green	Sawyer
Buskirk	Gustin	Shepard, F. M.
Cahoon	Hammond	Shepherd, F.
Caldwell	Harris	Shisler
Camburn	Herrig	Stoneman
Campbell	Hofmeister	Tefft
Chamberlain	Kerr	Vought
Clark	Kimmis	Weier
Clute	Lee	Wetherbee
Coad	Lusk	Whitney
Cousins	Marsilje	Widoe
Crippen	Molster	Williams
Davis	Moore, E. W.	Wing
Dickinson, J. H.	Moore, M. G.	Zimmerman
Dickinson, L. D.	Niedermeyer	Speaker
Donovan	Oberdorffer	

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Gillam,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

By the committee on Supplies and Expenditures:

The committee on Supplies and Expenditures, to whom was referred the following accounts, viz.:

Walker Manufacturing Co. (limited).....	\$3 00
United Typewriter & Supplies Co.	10 40
R. H. Gibson	80
J. W. Allan	8 28

M. J. & B. M. Buck.....

Total

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and recommend that the same be paid, and ask to be discussed further consideration of the subject.

J. H.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Madill,

The report was adopted and the several bills ordered

By the committee on City Corporations:

The committee on City Corporations, to whom was referred House bill No. 605, entitled

A bill to amend Chap. 7 of an act entitled "An act to provide for the city of Detroit and to repeal all acts and parts in conflict therewith," approved June 7, 1883;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to report the same back to the committee with amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be taken from the further consideration of the subject.

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Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. J. H. Dickinson,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate consideration.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Edgar	Mr. O'Donoghue
Allison	Elkhoff	Otis
Alward	Fleischhauer	Pearson
Anderson	Foster	Peck
Atkinson	Fuller	Perrin
Babcock, C. G.	Gibson	Phillips
Babcock, H.	Gillam	Phillips
Bates	Goodyear	Power
Belknap	Graham	Putnam
Billings	Green	Reed
Bricker	Gustin	Rubin
Bryan	Hammond	Savage
Buskirk	Harris	Sawyer
Cahoon	Herrig	Scully
Caldwell	Hofmeister	Shepherd
Camburn	Jackson	Shepherd
Campbell	Kerr	Shields
Chamberlain	Kimmis	Tefft
Clark	Lee	Van
Clute	Lusk	Vong
Coad	Madill	Welch

Mr. Cousins	Mr. Marsilje	Mr. Wetherbee
Crippen	McGill	Whitney
Davis	Molster	Williams
Dickinson, J. H.	Moore, E. W.	Wing
Dickinson, L. D.	Moore, M. G.	Zimmerman
Donovan	Niedermeier	Speaker
Dudley	Oberdorffer	

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. J. H. Dickinson,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

By the committee on City Corporations:

The committee on City Corporations, to whom was referred
House bill No. 1212, entitled

A bill to revise and amend the charter of the city of Flint.

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and at the request of the representative of the city interested in the bill refer the same back to the House that it may be printed for the use of the citizens of Flint. The same is done without recommendation. And ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

P. Herrig,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

On motion of Mr. Bates,

The bill was recommitted to the committee on City Corporations.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Speaker announced the following:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Lansing, February 25, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved, signed and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State,

House bill No. 191, being

An act to provide for the continuance of the recompilation and copying of the records in the office of the Adjutant General pertaining to the enlistment, muster, history and final disposition of the soldiers and sailors from this State during the war of the rebellion, and for the publication of a "Roster of Michigan Soldiers from 1861 to 1866 inclusive," and to make an appropriation therefor.

Respectfully,
H. S. Pingree,
Governor.

The message was ordered spread on the Journal.

The Speaker also announced the following:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Lansing, February 26, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved, signed and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State,

House bill No. 968, being

A bill to provide for the registration of electors in the city of Alpena.

Respectfully,

H. S. Pingree,
Governor.

The message was ordered spread on the Journal.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 26, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 543, entitled

A bill to vacate the village of Hadley in the county of Lapeer;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 26, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 395, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 120 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to prevent the spearing of fish in the waters of Long lake in Genesee county;"

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 26, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 626, entitled

A bill to empower school district No. 1 of the city of Ludington to borrow money and issue bonds therefor;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 25, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 229, entitled

A bill to create the fifth ward and to change the boundaries of the first and fourth wards in the city of Owosso, as provided for under Sec. 1 of Chap. 3 of act No. 215 of the public acts of 1895, being an act entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of cities of the fourth class," approved May 27, 1895;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has been ordered to take immediate effect, and in all of which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. F. M. Shepard,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Fuller	Mr. Pearson
Allison	Gibson	Peek
Alward	Gillam	Perry
Atkinson	Goodyear	Phillips, C. C.
Babcock, C. G.	Green	Powers
Babcock, H.	Gustin	Putney
Bemis	Hammond	Reed
Billings	Harris	Rulison
Bricker	Herrig	Savage
Cahoon	Hofmeister	Sawyer
Caldwell	Jackson	Scully
Campbell	Kerr	Shepard, F. M.
Chamberlain	Kimmis	Shisler
Clark	Lee	Stoneman
Clute	Lusk	Tefft
Coad	Madill	Van Camp
Cousins	Marsilje	Vought
Crippen	Mayer	Weier
Davis	Molster	Wetherbee
Dickinson, L. D.	Moore, E. W.	Whitney
Donovan	Moore, M. G.	Widoe
Dudley	Niedermeier	Williams
Edgar	Oberdorffer	Wing
Elkhoff	O'Dett	Zimmerman
Fleischhauer	Otis	Speaker
Foster		

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. F. M. Shepard,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 25, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 388, entitled

A bill to authorize the Midland County Agricultural Society of Midland county, Michigan, to issue its bonds in the sum of \$1,500, to pay the indebtedness of said society, and to improve its buildings and grounds;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 25, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 501, entitled

A bill to authorize the village of Munising in the county of Alger and State of Michigan to borrow money with which to purchase or construct a water works plant or any other public improvement for said village;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 26, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved by the Senate (the House concurring), That, as more time is necessary for the consideration of the matters in relation to the W. R. Kendrick contest, now pending, and the committee desiring that the time for making their report be extended, the time set for said report, viz., at 7:30 o'clock Monday evening, March 1, be further postponed and adjourned until Thursday evening, March 11, at 8 o'clock;

Which has been adopted by the Senate, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The question being on concurring in the adoption of the resolution, The resolution was adopted.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 26, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 364, entitled

A bill to legalize the assessment and tax rolls of the city of Saginaw and the return of the delinquent taxes thereon to the county treasurer for the years 1895 and 1896;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has been ordered to take immediate effect, and in all of which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on City Corporations.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 26, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 106 (file No. 30), entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of a salary to certain township officers in the township of Ecorse, in the county of Wayne, and to fix the amount thereof;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has been ordered to take immediate effect, and in all of which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Bryan,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Fuller	Mr. O'Dett
Allison	Gibson	Pearson
Alward	Goodell	Perry
Babcock, C. G.	Goodyear	Peters
Babcock, H.	Graham	Phillips, C. C.
Belknap	Green	Putney
Billings	Gustin	Reed
Bricker	Hammond	Rullison
Bryan	Harris	Savage
Buskirk	Herrig	Scully
Caldwell	Hofmeister	Shepard, F. M.
Camburn	Jackson	Shepherd, F.
Campbell	Kerr	Shisler
Chamberlain	Kimmis	Smith

Mr. Clute
Coad
Cousins
Crippen
Dickinson, J. H.
Donovan
Dudley
Edgar
Eikhoff
Fleischhauer

Mr. Lee
Lusk
Marsilje
Mayer
Molster
Moore, E. W.
Moore, M. G.
Niedermeier
Oberdorffer

Mr. Tefft
Vought
Weier
Wetherbee
Widoe
Williams
Wing
Zimmerman
Speaker

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Bryan,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 26, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following joint resolution:

House joint resolution No. 38, entitled

Joint resolution authorizing the township board of the township of Delhi, in the county of Ingham, to settle with Simon Diehl, former treasurer of said township, for moneys received by him as such treasurer for the years 1892 and 1893, by him deposited in the Central Michigan Savings bank of Lansing, Michigan;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The joint resolution was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 26, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 87 (file No. 31), entitled

A bill to provide rules for the care and use of the Abbott voting machine at elections in this State;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

committee on Elections.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 26, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 24 (file No. 28), entitled

A bill to authorize the trustees of the Eastern Michigan Asylum to erect and equip a laundry building and to provide electric lighting for said asylum;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has been ordered to take immediate effect, and in all of which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pieroc,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Eastern Asylum for Insane.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 26, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 102 (file No. 25), entitled

A bill for the incorporation of National Societies of Colonial Dames in America in Michigan;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Religious and Benevolent Societies.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 26, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 6 (file No. 24), entitled

A bill to prevent deception in the manufacture and sale of butter;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate,

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Agriculture.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Lusk moved that

House bill No. 1212, entitled

A bill to revise and amend the charter of the city of Flint;

Be printed for the use of the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Lee moved that the motion to print be laid on the table;

Which motion prevailed, and the bill was also carried to the table.

Mr. Billings moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of

House bill No. 153 (file No. 57), entitled

A bill to legalize and make valid certain assessments for lateral sewer purposes in the city of Negaunee, Marquette county, Michigan, and to provide a method for collecting delinquent assessments thereunder;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Billings,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Elkhoff	Mr. O'Dett
Allison	Fleischhauer	Otis
Anderson	Fuller	Pearson
Babcock, C. G.	Gibson	Peek
Babcock, H.	Gillam	Perry
Belknap	Goodell	Phillips, C. C.
Bemis	Goodyear	Phillips, M. F.
Billings	Graham	Powers
Bricker	Green	Putney
Bryan	Gustin	Reed
Buskirk	Hammond	Rullison
Cahoon	Harris	Savage
Caldwell	Herrig	Scully
Campbell	Hofmeister	Shepard, F. M.
Chamberlain	Jackson	Shepherd, F.
Clark	Kerr	Shisler
Clute	Kimmis	Smith
Coad	Lee	Van Camp
Cousins	Lusk	Weier
Crippen	Marsilje	Wetherbee

Mr. Davis	Mr. McGill	Mr. Whitney
Dickinson, J. H.	Molster	Widoe
Dickinson, L. D.	Moore, E. W.	Williams
Donovan	Moore, M. G.	Wing
Dudley	Niedermeyer	Zimmerman
Edgar	Oberdorffer	Speaker

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Billings,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Perry moved to take from the table,

House bill No. 1232, entitled

A bill to provide for the support and maintenance of the patients in the Upper Peninsula Asylum for the Insane at Newberry, and to provide for the necessary expenses therefor during the years of 1897 and 1898, and to make an appropriation therefor.

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Perry,

The bill was referred to the committee on Upper Peninsula Asylum for the Insane.

Mr. Fleischhauer moved to take from the table,

House bill No. 643, entitled

A bill to disorganize the township of Glencoe, Lake county, and attach the territory to the township of Dover in said county.

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Fleischhauer,

The bill was referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Atkinson moved to take from the table the following resolution:

Resolved, That on Tuesday, April 13, the House will go into committee of the whole to consider the bills relating to railroad fares, freight charges and taxation, and that such bills shall constitute a special order for that day and until disposed of.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

Mr. Fleischhauer moved to amend the resolution so as to read as follows:

Resolved, That on Tuesday, April 13, the House will go into committee of the whole to consider such bills relating to railroad fares, freight charges and taxation as are on the general order at that time, and that such bills shall constitute a special order for that day and until disposed of.

Which was accepted.

Mr. Gustin moved to further amend the resolution by striking off at the end of the resolution the words "and until disposed of."

Which motion prevailed.

The question then being on the resolution as amended,

The resolution was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Lusk,

The House took a recess until 1 o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

1 o'clock, p. m.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll call: quorum present.

The House resumed the order of

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Lusk offered the following:

Resolved, That when the House adjourns today, it stand adjourned until 5 o'clock p. m., on Monday next.

Mr. Bryan moved to amend the resolution by making the hour "7:30 o'clock."

Mr. Chamberlain moved that the hour be fixed at "3:30 o'clock;"

Which was withdrawn.

The motion to amend the resolution did not then prevail.

The resolution was then adopted.

Mr. Lusk offered the following:

WHEREAS, There is a manifest desire on the part of many members of the House to ascertain if an adjournment is probable next week to enable the members of the legislature to visit the city of Washington; be it

Resolved, That it is the sense of this body that no adjournment be taken for one week or longer, for the purpose of visiting the national capital, unless said adjournment can be effected and the pay of the legislators be remitted or withheld during said period of adjournment;

Pending discussion of which,

On motion of Mr. Edgar,

The resolution was laid on the table.

Mr. F. Shepherd moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of

House bill No. 285 (file No. 75), entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of slack water navigation companies, for the improvement of rivers in the counties of St. Joseph, Cass, Berrien and Cheboygan, and defining their powers and duties," approved March 25, 1867, and being act No. 411 of the session laws of 1867, as amended by act No. 110 of the session laws of 1871, approved April 13, 1871, by adding thereto two new sections to stand as Secs. 24 and 25;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. F. Shepherd,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams
Allison
Alward

Mr. Eikhoff
Fleischhauer
Fuller

Mr. O'Dett
Otis
Pearson

Mr. Anderson	Mr. Gibson	Mr. Perry
Babcock, C. G.	Gillam	Peters
Babcock, H.	Goodell	Phillips, C. C.
Bates	Goodyear	Putney
Belknap	Graham	Reed
Billings	Green	Rulison
Bricker	Gustin	Savage
Bryan	Hammond	Scully
Buskirk	Harris	Shepard, F. M.
Cahoon	Herrig	Shepherd, F.
Caldwell	Hofmeister	Shisler
Campbell	Jackson	Smith
Chamberlain	Kerr	Stoneman
Clark	Kimmis	Tefft
Clute	Lee	Van Camp
Coad	Lusk	Vought
Cousins	Marsilje	Weler
Crippen	McGill	Wetherbee
Dickinson, J. H.	Molster	Widoe
Dickinson, L. D.	Moore, E. W.	Williams
Donovan	Moore, M. G.	Wing
Dudley	Niedermeyer	Zimmerman
Edgar	Oberdorffer	Speaker

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. F. Shepherd,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr Chamberlain offered the following:

WHEREAS, Hon. William McKinley, the peoples' choice for President of the United States, is to be inaugurated President at Washington on the 4th day of March next; and

WHEREAS, Very many of the people of Michigan, including many members of this legislature, feeling especially grateful to the President-elect for his having decided to appoint Michigan's favorite son, the gallant soldier, citizen and statesman, Hon. Russell A. Alger, Secretary of War, are desirous of showing their gratitude and appreciation of the splendid compliment paid the State by the President-elect by personally attending the inauguration of Mr. McKinley; therefore

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That the legislature adjourn on the 2d day of March next at 2 o'clock p. m. and stand adjourned until Monday, March 8 next at 9 o'clock p. m.

Laid over one day under the rules.

Mr. Scully moved to take from the table,

House bill No. 960, entitled

A bill to prohibit residents of this State from assigning real estate mortgages to non-resident persons or corporations for the purpose of avoiding assessment or payment of taxes on such mortgages and to provide as a penalty that in such case the lien of the mortgage shall be released.

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Scully,

The bill was referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Scully moved to take from the table,

House bill No. 964, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 3, 8, 14, 24, 26, 40, 53 and 61 of act No. 206 of the public acts of 1893 of the State of Michigan, entitled "An act to provide for the assessment of property and the levy and collection of taxes thereon, and for the collection of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such lien, providing for the sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes, and for the inspection and disposition of lands bid off to the State and not redeemed or purchased; and to repeal act No. 200 of the public acts of 1891, and all other acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening any of the provisions of this act."

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Scully,

The bill was referred to the committee on General Taxation.

Mr. Gustin offered the following:

Resolved, that the Sergeant-at-Arms ascertain the city addresses or residence of the members and employees of the House of Representatives, and that the same be printed in the journal.

Which was adopted.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Lusk,

The House went into committee of the whole on the general order, Whereupon the Speaker called Mr. Williams to the chair.

After some time spent therein the committee rose, and through their chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following:

1. House bill No. 104 (file No. 40), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 8 of act No. 192 of the public acts of 1887, entitled "An act to amend act No. 260 of the public acts of 1881," approved June 10, 1881, being Chap. 52 of Howell's annotated statutes, relative to the protection of children in certain cases, by adding thereto four new sections to stand as Sec 7, 8, 9 and 10 of said act, approved June 18, 1887, as amended by the several acts amendatory thereof;

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend its passage.

The committee of the whole have also had under consideration the following:

2. House bill No. 110 (file No. 71), entitled

A bill to provide for the encouragement of the manufacture of beet sugar and to provide a compensation therefor and to make an appropriation therefor.

Have made sundry amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend its passage.

E. S. Williams,

Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The first named bill was placed on the order of third reading.

On motion of Mr. Dudley,

The House concurred in the amendments made by the committee to the second named bill and it was placed on the order of third reading.

Mr. Dudley moved that the rules be suspended, and that

House bill No. 110 (file No. 71), entitled

A bill to provide for the encouragement of the manufacture of beet sugar and to provide a compensation therefor and to make an appropriation therefor,

Be put upon its immediate passage.

Which motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Alward	Mr. Fuller	Mr. Oberdorffer
Babcock, C. G.	Gibson	O'Dett
Bates	Gillam	Otis
Belknap	Goodyear	Pearson
Billings	Graham	Perry
Buskirk	Green	Peters
Caldwell	Gustin	Phillips, C. C.
Camburn	Hammond	Phillips, M. F.
Chamberlain	Harris	Putney
Clute	Herrig	Rulison
Coad	Hofmeister	Savage
Cousins	Kerr	Shepard, F. M.
Crippen	Kimmis	Smith
Donovan	Lee	Van Camp
Dudley	Lusk	Widoe
Edgar	Madill	Williams
Eikhoff	Mayer	Wing
Fleischhauer	McGill	Zimmerman
Foster	Niedermeyer	Speaker

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Mr. Adams	Mr. Scully	Mr. Tefft
Cahoon	Shepherd, F.	Vought
Molster		

Title agreed to.

Mr. Lusk moved that the rules be suspended, and that

House bill No. 104 (file No. 40), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 8 of act No. 192 of the public acts of 1887, and "An act to amend act No. 260 of the public acts of 1881," approved 10, 1881, being Chap. 52 of Howell's annotated statutes, relative to protection of children in certain cases, by adding thereto four sections to stand as Secs. 7, 8, 9 and 10 of said act," approved June 10, 1881, as amended by the several acts amendatory thereof.

Be put upon its immediate passage;

Which motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Gibson	Mr. Otis
Alward	Gillam	Pearson
Babcock, C. G.	Goodyear	Perry
Bates	Graham	Peters
Belknap	Green	Phillips, C. C.
Billings	Gustin	Phillips, M. F.
Buskirk	Hammond	Putney
Cahoon	Harris	Rulison
Chamberlain	Herrig	Savage
Clute	Hofmeister	Scully
Coad	Kimmis	Shepard, F. M.
Cousins	Lee	Shepherd, F.
Crippen	Lusk	Smith
Donovan	Madill	Tefft
Dudley	Mayer	Van Camp
Edgar	McGill	Vought
Elkhoff	Molster	Widoe
Fleischhauer	Niedermeier	Wing
Foster	Oberdorffer	Zimmerman
Fuller	O'Dett	Speaker

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Title agreed to.

Mr. Chamberlain offered the following:

Resolved, That hereafter when a measure is reached on the general order, the author of which is absent, such measure shall be passed for the day only and reinstated in its place ahead of bills which succeeded the measure, except those which were considered while such bill was passed or laid over;

Which was adopted.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor,

House joint resolution No. 38, entitled

A joint resolution authorizing the township board of the township of Delhi, in the county of Ingham, to settle with Simon Diehl, former treasurer of said township, for moneys received by him as such treasurer for the years 1892 and 1893, by him deposited in the Central Michigan Savings bank of Lansing, Michigan;

For which your committee hold the receipt of the Executive office dated February 26, 1897, at 2 o'clock p. m.

Geo. E. Gillam,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

Mr. Fleischhauer moved that the House adjourn;
Which motion prevailed, and
The Speaker declared the House adjourned until 5 o'clock p. m. on
Monday next.

Lansing, Monday, March 1, 1897.

The House met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Swift.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. Alward, Anderson, Atkinson, Bryan, Cousins, Davis, J. H. Dickinson, Foster, January, Oberdorffer, Powers, Sawyer, Stoneman and Wetherbee.

On motion of Mr. Crippen,

Leave of absence was granted to all absentees for the day.

On motion of Mr. Savage,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Stoneman for tomorrow.

On motion of Mr. Fuller,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Oberdorffer indefinitely on account of sickness in his family.

On motion of Mr. Wing,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Powers until Wednesday next.

On motion of Mr. Peters,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Wetherbee indefinitely on account of sickness in his family.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 367. By Mr. Fleischhauer: Petition of Spencer Fradenburg and 284 other taxpayers of Chase township praying to have Lake county annexed to Osceola county.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 368. By Mr. Fleischhauer: Petition of Samuel Wolfe and 107 others of Pinora township praying to have Lake county annexed to Osceola county.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 369. By Mr. Fleischhauer: Petition of H. W. Hammond and 152 other taxpayers and voters of Ellsworth township praying to have Lake county annexed to Osceola county.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 370. By Mr. Campbell: Petition of Fraternity Grange No. 52 in favor of farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 371. By Mr. Campbell: Petition of Fraternity Grange No. 52 for traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 372. By Mr. Campbell: Petition of Fraternity Grange No. 52 favoring the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 373. By Mr. Phillips: Petition of Bangor, Van Buren county, Grange, asking for the repeal of farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 374. By Mr. C. C. Phillips: Petition of Bangor Grange for appropriation for farmers' institute.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 375. By Mr. C. C. Phillips: Petition of Bangor Grange against repeal of farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 376. By Mr. C. C. Phillips: Petition of Bangor Grange for appropriation for traveling libraries.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 377. By Mr. C. C. Phillips: Petition of Bangor Grange for passage of law to prevent appeals from justice courts in certain cases.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 378. By Mr. C. C. Phillips: Petition of Bangor Grange No. 60 asking for passage of anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 379. By Mr. C. C. Phillips: Petition of Bangor Grange to continue the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 380. By Mr. Camburn: Petition of Lenawee County Grange No. 15 asking for traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 381. By Mr. Camburn: Remonstrance of Lenawee County Grange No. 15 against repeal of farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 382. By Mr. Camburn: Petition of Lenawee County Grange No. 15 asking for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 383. By Mr. Camburn: Petition of Lenawee County Grange No. 15 for a bill to prevent appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 384. By Mr. Camburn: Petition of Lenawee County Grange No. 15 asking for the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 385. By Mr. Camburn: Petition of Lenawee County Grange No. 15 asking for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 386. By Mr. Camburn: Petition of Lenawee County Grange No. 15 asking for the passage of the Kimmis county salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 387. By Mr. Camburn: Petition of Rome Grange No. 293, of Lenawee county, asking for the passage of the Kimmis county salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 388. By Mr. Camburn: Petition of Home Grange No. 293 asking for traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 389. By Mr. Camburn: Petition of Rome Grange No. 293 asking for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 390. By Mr. Camburn: Petition of Rome Grange No. 293 asking for the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 391. By Mr. Camburn: Petition of Rome Grange No. 293 asking for a bill to prevent appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 392. By Mr. Camburn: Petition of Adrian Grange No. 213 asking for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 393. By Mr. Camburn: Petition of Adrian Grange No. 213 asking for appropriation for traveling library.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 394. By Mr. Camburn: Remonstrance from Adrian Grange No. 213 against repeal of farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 395. By Mr. Camburn: Petition of Adrian Grange No. 213 for a bill to prevent appeal from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 396. By Mr. Camburn: Petition of Adrian Grange No. 213 asking for an appropriation for Farmers' Institute.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 397. By Mr. Camburn: Petition of Adrian Grange No. 213 asking for the passage of the Kimmis county salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 398. By Mr. Camburn: Petition of Adrian Grange No. 213 asking for the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 399. By Mr. Edgar: Petition of Rome Grange No. 293 asking for the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 400. By Mr. Edgar: Petition of Lime Creek Grange No. 712 asking for the passage of the Kimmis county salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 401. By Mr. Edgar: Petition of Lime Creek Grange No. 712 asking for the passage of bill to prevent appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 402. By Mr. Edgar: Petition of Lime Creek Grange No. 712 for traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 403. By Mr. Edgar: Petition of Lime Creek Grange No. 712 asking for the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 404. By Mr. Edgar: Petition of Lime Creek Grange No. 712, asking for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 405. By Mr. Edgar: Petition of Adrian Grange No. 213, asking for passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 406. By Mr. Edgar: Petition of Adrian Grange No. 213 asking for traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 407. By Mr. Edgar: Remonstrance of Adrian Grange No. 213 against repeal of farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 408. By Mr. Edgar: Petition of Adrian Grange No. 213 asking passage of bill to prevent appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 409. By Mr. Edgar: Petition from Adrian Grange No. 213 asking for Farmers' Institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 410. By Mr. Edgar: Petition of the Adrian Grange No. 213 asking for the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 411. By Mr. Edgar: Petition of the Adrian Grange No. 213 asking for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 412. By Mr. Edgar: Petition of Lenawee County Grange No. 15 asking for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 413. By Mr. Edgar: Petition of Lenawee County Grange No. 15 asking for passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 414. By Mr. Edgar: Petition of the Friday Club of Hudson, Mich., asking for passage of bill relative to women physicians at asylums for the insane.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 415. By Mr. Edgar: Petition of Working Grange No. 509 asking for the passage of House bill No. 198.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 416. By Mr. Edgar: Remonstrance of Lenawee County Grange No. 15 against repeal of farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 417. By Mr. Edgar: Petition of Lenawee County Grange No. 15 asking for traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 418. By Mr. Edgar: Petition of Lenawee County Grange No. 15 asking for appropriation for Farmers' Institute.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 419. By Mr. Edgar: Petition of Lenawee County Grange No. 15 asking for passage of bill to prevent appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 420. By Mr. Edgar: Petition of Wolf Creek Grange No. 708 asking for the passage of the bill to prevent appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 421. By Mr. Edgar: Petition of Wolf Creek Grange No. 708 asking for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 423. By Mr. Edgar: Petition of Ogden Grange No. 660 asking for the passage of bill for the prevention of appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 424. By Mr. Edgar: Petition of Rome Grange No. 293 asking for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 425. By Mr. Edgar: Petition of Rome Grange No. 293 asking for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 426. By Mr. Edgar: Petition of Rome Grange No. 293 asking for traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 427. By Mr. Edgar: Petition of Rome Grange No. 293 asking for the passage of the bill to prevent appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 428. By Mr. Edgar: Petition of Lenawee County Grange No. 15 to continue the office of Tax Statistician for two years after the completion of the present term, to the end that a basis may be found for the correction of any wrongs that may exist.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 429. By Mr. Edgar: Petition of Wolf Creek Grange No. 708 to make appropriations ample in amount to successfully carry on this important educational work with its increasing demands.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 430. By Mr. Edgar: Petition of the Wolf Creek Grange No. 708 to make ample appropriation, in such amount as your wise judgment with the aid of the State Librarian may determine, and to fully meet the growing demand for the said collection of books.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 431. By Mr. Edgar: Petition of the Wolf Creek Grange No. 708 of Wolf Creek, Mich., for the passage into law of the Kimmis bill, known as "House bill No. 198."

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 432. By Mr. Edgar: Petition of the Ogden Grange No. 660 to make appropriations ample in amount to successfully carry on this important educational work with its increasing demands.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 433. By Mr. Edgar: Petition of the Ogden Grange No. 660 to pass the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 434. Mr. F. M. Shepard: Petition of E. Sickie and 63 other citizens of Lake Odessa township in favor of the passage of bill 198 known as the county salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 435. By Mr. Gibson: Petition in favor of medical legislation.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 436. By Mr. Goodell: Petition of Robert Turner and 39 other citizens of Brownstown, Wayne county, asking for a non-sectarian board of medical registration.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 437. By Mr. Bates: Petition of Nelson Goodrich and 42 others asking for the repeal of the present drain law.

Referred to the committee on Drainage.

No. 438. By Mr. Van Camp: Petition of Fruit Grange No. 104 in favor of appropriation for traveling libraries.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 439. By Mr. Van Camp: Petition of Fruit Grange No. 104 in favor of salaries bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 440. By Mr. Van Camp: Petition of Fruit Grange No. 104 in favor of appropriation for Farmers' Institute.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 441. By Mr. Van Camp: Petition of Fruit Grange No. 104 against the repeal of the law providing for the collection of farm statistics.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 442. By Mr. Van Camp: Petition of Fruit Grange No. 104 to prevent appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 443. By Mr. Van Camp: Petition of Fruit Grange No. 104 for passage of anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 444. By Mr. Van Camp: Petition of Fruit Grange No. 104 in favor of continuing the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor,

House bill No. 501, entitled

An act to authorize the village of Munising, in the county of Alger and State of Michigan, to borrow money with which to purchase or construct a water works plant or any other public improvement for said village;

For which your committee hold the receipt of the Executive office dated February 26, 1897, at 3:55 o'clock p. m.

Geo. E. Gillam,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor,

House bill No. 830, entitled

An act to amend Sec. 49 of Chap. 2 of act No. 468 of the local acts of 1895, entitled "An act to amend and revise Chaps. 1 and 2 of an act entitled 'An act to provide a charter for the city of Detroit, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith,' approved June 7, 1893;"

For which your committee hold the receipt of the Executive office dated February 26, 1897, at 3:55 o'clock p. m.

Geo. E. Gillam,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled
presented to the Governor,

House bill No. 626, entitled

An act to empower school district No. 1 of the city of
borrow money and issue bonds therefor;

For which your committee hold the receipt of the bill
dated February 26, 1897, at 3:55 o'clock p. m.

Geo. E.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled
presented to the Governor,

House bill No. 543, entitled

An act to vacate the village of Hadley in the county of

For which your committee hold the receipt of the bill
dated February 26, 1897, at 3:55 o'clock p. m.

Geo. E.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled
presented to the Governor,

House bill No. 388, entitled

An act to authorize the Midland Agricultural Society
county, Michigan, to issue its bonds in the sum of one
hundred dollars, to pay the indebtedness of said society, and
its buildings and grounds;

For which your committee hold the receipt of the bill
dated February 26, 1897, at 3:55 o'clock p. m.

Geo. E.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled
presented to the Governor,

House bill No. 121 (file No. 19), entitled

An act to amend Sec. 6 of act 187 of the session laws of
June 17, 1887, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing
for the incorporation of coöperative and mutual benefit associations, and
the powers and duties and regulate the transaction of the business of
such corporations and associations doing business within the state
to add two new sections thereto to stand as Secs. 32 and 33."

For which your committee hold the receipt of the Executive
February 26, 1897, at 3:55 o'clock p. m.

Geo. E.

Report accepted.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Speaker announced the following:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Lansing, March 1, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved, signed and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State,

House joint resolution No. 38, being

A joint resolution authorizing the township board of the township of Delhi, in the county of Ingham, to settle with Simon Diehl, former treasurer of said township, for moneys received by him as such treasurer, for the years 1892 and 1893, by him deposited in the Central Michigan Savings Bank of Lansing, Michigan.

Respectfully,
H. S. Pingree,
Governor.

The message was ordered spread on the Journal.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 26, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved by the House (the Senate concurring), That there shall be printed one edition of the "Michigan Manual;" and be it further

Resolved, That the Secretary of State be, and is hereby authorized and directed, to cause to be published a sufficient number of the "Michigan Manual" including those provided for by law, to be distributed as follows:

For distribution by each member of the Senate.....100 copies

For distribution by each member of the House..... 60 copies

And a further number sufficient to supply one copy to each public school in the State not otherwise provided for;

And to inform the House that the Senate has adopted the following substitute therefor:

Resolved by the House (the Senate concurring), That there shall be printed one edition of the "Michigan Manual;" and be it further

Resolved, That the Secretary of State be, and is hereby authorized and directed, to cause to be published a sufficient number of the "Michigan Manual" including those provided for by law to be distributed as follows:

For distribution by each member of the Senate.....75 copies

For distribution by each member of the House.....45 copies

And a further number sufficient to supply one copy to each public school in the State, not otherwise provided for, including district schools;

In the adoption of which resolution, as substituted, the Senate has concurred.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The question being on concurring in the adoption of the substitute for the resolution,

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain,

The message was referred to the committee on Judiciary.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Kelly moved to take from the table,

House bill No. 379, entitled

A bill to revise the charter of the city of Muskegon, being amendatory of "An act to reincorporate the city of Muskegon, to revise the charter of said city, and to repeal all conflicting acts relating thereto," approved June 4, 1895;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Kelly,

The bill was referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Bates moved that a respectful message be sent to the Governor asking the return to the House of

House bill No. 121 (file No. 19), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 6 of act No. 187 of the session laws of 1887, approved June 17, 1887, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of co-operative and mutual benefit associations, and to define the powers and duties and regulate the transaction of the business of all such corporations and associations doing business within this State," and to add two new sections thereto to stand as Secs. 32 and 33;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Fleischhauer moved to take from the table,

House bill No. 1031, entitled

A bill to disorganize the townships of Lake county and to reorganize the same in other townships;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Fleischhauer,

The bill was referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS,

Being the consideration of the following:

WHEREAS, Hon. William McKinley, the people's choice for President of the United States, is to be inaugurated President at Washington on the 4th day of March next; and

WHEREAS, Very many of the people of Michigan, including many members of this legislature, feeling especially grateful to the President-elect for his having decided to appoint Michigan's favorite son, the gallant soldier, citizen and statesman, Hon. Russell A. Alger, Secretary of War.

are desirous of showing their gratitude and appreciation of the splendid compliment paid the State by the President-elect by personally attending the inauguration of Mr. McKinley; therefore

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That the legislature adjourn on the 2d day of March next at 2 o'clock p. m. and stand adjourned until Monday, March 8 next at 9 o'clock p. m.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,
Mr. Chamberlain asked leave to withdraw the resolution,
Leave was granted, and the resolution was withdrawn.

Mr. Shepard moved that the House go into committee of the whole on the general order,

Which motion did not prevail.

On motion of Mr. Bates,

The House took a recess until 7:30 o'clock this evening.

EVENING SESSION.

7:30 o'clock, p. m.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Marsilje,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order,
Whereupon the Speaker called Mr. Belknap to the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following:

1. House bill No. 120 (file No. 18), entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to amend Sec. 1 of act 77 of the session laws of 1869, entitled 'An act relative to life insurance companies transacting business within this State,' approved March 30, 1869, being compiler's Sec. 1936 of the compiled laws of 1871, Sec. 1, Chap. 131, of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan, as amended by act approved January 27, 1885;"

2. House bill No. 109 (file No. 36), entitled

A bill to provide for service upon corporations of process issued from circuit courts in chancery;

3. House bill No. 51 (file No. 53), entitled

A bill to provide for the committing of pauper insane persons to the Kent county insane asylum, and for the transfer of such persons to the State asylum and from the State asylum to said county asylum, and to provide for the support and maintenance of such insane persons;

4. House bill No. 233 (file No. 60), entitled

A bill providing for barring the right of dower of insane, imbecile or idiotic married women and authorizing sale or mortgage of such dower right;

5. House bill No. 143 (file No. 39), entitled

A bill to prohibit obstructing the view of persons in theaters, halls, or opera houses where theatrical performances are given, and to provide a penalty therefor;

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House and recommend their passage.

The committee of the whole have also had under consideration the following:

6. House bill No. 208 (file No. 63), entitled

A bill regulating the care of poor persons within St. Clair county;

Have made sundry amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend its passage.

The committee of the whole have also had under consideration the following:

7. House bill No. 15 (file No. 155), entitled

A bill to prohibit and prevent adulteration, fraud and deception in the manufacture and sale of buckwheat flour;

And have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that it be referred to the committee on Agriculture.

L. E. Belknap,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The first, second, third, fourth and fifth named bills were placed on the of third reading.

On motion of Mr. Green,

The House concurred in the amendments made by the committee to the sixth named bill and it was placed on the order of third reading.

On motion of Mr. Goodell,

The House concurred in the recommendation of the committee relative to the seventh named bill, and it was referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Mr. Bates offered the following:

WHEREAS, It has come to the knowledge of this House that a report is generally current that the pardon of one Wixom, lately a prisoner in the penitentiary at Jackson, was procured through false and untruthful statements and representations made by interested parties; and

WHEREAS, It is also currently reported that an officer of said prison was in some measure instrumental in procuring and formulating such false and untruthful statements and representations; therefore be it

Resolved, That in order to determine the truth or falsity of the statements current in the premises, and in order that information may be obtained on which to base legislation that will provide suitable protection against the practice of fraud and deception in such cases, the Speaker of the House be, and he hereby is, instructed to appoint a committee of five members to inquire into the facts of the case as recited in the foregoing preambles, and report to the House their findings, together with such recommendations as they may think proper and pertinent; and be it further

Resolved, That such committee be, and hereby is, empowered to send for persons and papers, to take depositions, and to employ such means and measures as will render a thorough inquiry and investigation practicable;

Which was adopted.

By unanimous consent:

Mr. Bricker presented the following protests, which,

On demand of Mr. Bricker, were read and spread on the Journal, as follows:

To the Honorable, the members of the House of Representatives:

Gentlemen—We, the undersigned, citizens and members of the township board of the township of Birch Run, county of Saginaw, State of Michigan, respectfully represent that we acted as members of the board of election inspectors in said township at the last general election. We have read with much surprise the report of the majority of the special committee appointed by your honorable body to investigate the facts pertaining to the contest of John Baird against seating James Kerr as a member of said House.

We most earnestly protest against the rejection of the entire vote of our township, upon the ground of fraud. We do not believe that the contestant, Mr. Baird, was deprived of a single vote at said election by reason of any irregularities.

As members of the Republican party, and in the interest of fairness and honesty, we petition your honorable body not to adopt said majority report.

Leonard Alger.

George Sargent, J. P.

To the Honorable, the members of the House of Representatives:

Gentlemen—We, the undersigned, citizens and members of the township board of the township of Taymouth, county of Saginaw, State of Michigan, respectfully represent, that we acted as members of the board of election inspectors in said township at the last general election. We have read with much surprise the report of the majority of the special committee appointed by your honorable body to investigate the facts pertaining to the contest of John Baird against seating James Kerr as a member of said House.

We most earnestly protest against the rejection of the entire vote of our township, upon the ground of fraud. We do not believe that the contestant, Mr. Baird, was deprived of a single vote at said election by reason of any irregularities.

As members of the Republican party, and in the interest of fairness and honesty, we petition your honorable body not to adopt said majority report.

Pearley F. Becker,

Supervisor,

Washburn Horning,

Treasurer,

David Leach,

Clerk.

Joseph Phillips,

Challenger.

To the Honorable, the Members of the House of Representatives:

Gentlemen—We, the undersigned citizens and members of the township board of the township of Spaulding, county of Saginaw, State of Michigan, respectfully represent that we acted as members of the board of election inspectors in said township at the last general election. We have read with much surprise the report of the majority of the special committee appointed by your honorable body to investigate the facts pertaining to the contest of John Baird against seating James Kerr as a member of said House.

We most sincerely protest against the rejection of the entire vote of our township upon the ground of fraud. We do not believe that the contestant, Mr. Baird, was deprived of a single vote at said election by reason of any irregularities.

As members of the Republican party, and in the interests of fairness and honesty, we petition your honorable body not to adopt said majority report.

Edwin E. Martindale,
Otto Ferchau,
Albert E. Bennett,
Augustus A. Dockstader,

Town Board of Spaulding Township.

Dated February 27, 1897.

By unanimous consent, the following petitions were presented:

No. 445: By Mr. Chamberlain: Memorial of the Inland Union protesting against the passage of the bill to lower the legal age of marriage.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 446. By Mr. Chamberlain: Memorial from the Inland Union petitioning for the passage of the following bills: An act to establish a reformatory prison for women; an act in relation to police matrons in the several cities of the State; House bill No. 72, to put women on the boards of control of State institutions; bill for curfew bell.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 447. By Mr. Chamberlain: Petition from Helen B. Clark and eight others, asking for passage of bill prohibiting manufacturing and sale of cigarettes; to establish a reformatory prison for women; to provide for police matrons in cities; to place women on boards of State institutions; and the curfew bill, and protesting against the bill providing for lowering the age of marriage.

Referred to the committees on Public Health and State Affairs.

No. 448. By Mr. Chamberlain: Memorial from Mrs. T. H. Reeves and other officers of the W. C. T. U. praying for the passage of the anti-cigarette bill.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

On motion of Mr. Herrig,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Tuesday, March 2, 1897.

The House met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Miller.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. Bryan, Cousins, Gustin, January, Kelly, E. W. Moore, O'Dett, Peek, Rulison and Williams.

On motion of Mr. Adams,

Leave of absence was granted to all absentees for the day.

On motion of Mr. Bates,

Leave of absence was granted to Messrs. Gustin, January, Kelly, O'Dett, Peek, Williams and Rulison.

On motion of Mr. Pearson,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Cousins indefinitely on account of sickness.

On motion of Mr. Widoe,

Leave of absence was granted to himself indefinitely on account of public business.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 449. By mail to the clerk: Remonstrance and petition from the Antrim county bar against the passage of the bill to require the stenographer of the 13th circuit to live within said circuit.

Referred to the committee on Revision of Statutes.

No. 450. By mail to the clerk: Remonstrance and petition of Charlevoix county bar against passage of the bill to require the stenographer of the 13th circuit to live within said circuit.

Referred to the committee on Revision of Statutes.

No. 451. By mail to the clerk: Remonstrance of the Grand Traverse county bar against the bill requiring circuit court stenographers to reside in their circuit.

Referred to the committee on Revision of Statutes.

No. 452. By Mr. Perry: Remonstrance of Cleon Grange No. 633 against repeal of farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 453. By Mr. Perry: Petition of Cleon Grange No. 633 for traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 454. By Mr. Perry: Petition from Cleon Grange No. 633 for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 455. By Mr. Perry: Petition of Cleon Grange No. 633 asking for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 456. By Mr. Perry: Petition of Cleon Grange No. 633 asking for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 457. By Mr. Perry: Petition of Cleon Grange No. 633 to continue the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 458. By Mr. Perry: Remonstrance of N. C. Beers and 16 others of Yates, Mich., against the passage of two cents per mile railway passenger bill.

Referred to the committee on Railroads.

No. 459. By Mr. Perry: Remonstrance of B. Burmeister and 31 others of Onkama, Mich., against the passage of two cent per mile railway passenger bill.

Referred to the committee on Railroads.

No. 460. By Mr. Perry: Remonstrance of W. R. Hall, A. O. Wheeler and 163 others of Manistee, Mich., against the passage of two cent per mile railway passenger bill.

Referred to the committee on Railroads.

No. 461. By Mr. Perry: Remonstrance of Edward McFadgen and 35 others of Tanner, Mich., against passage of two cent per mile railway passenger bill.

Referred to the committee on Railroads.

No. 462. By Mr. Chamberlain: Memorial from the city officials, board of aldermen, church pastors, Sunday school officers, school officers, and teachers of Grand Ledge praying for the passage of the anti-cigarette bill.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 463. By Mr. C. C. Phillips: Petition of Lawrence Grange No. 32 for the passage of anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 464. By Mr. C. C. Phillips: Petition of Lawrence Grange No. 32 for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 465. By Mr. C. C. Phillips: Petition of Lawrence Grange No. 32 against appropriation for farmers' institute.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 466. By Mr. Lusk: Petition of wheelmen of West Bay City for passage of House bill No. 150 compelling railway companies to carry bicycles as baggage.

Referred to the committee on Railroads.

No. 467. By Mr. Lusk: Petition of F. M. Van Dien and 46 other wheelmen of West Bay City for the passage of House bill No. 150 compelling railway companies to carry bicycles as baggage.

Referred to the committee on Railroads.

No. 468. By Mr. Vought: Petition of Charles Dodge and 19 others asking for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 469. By Mr. C. C. Phillips: Petition of Lawrence Grange No. 32 asking for the passage of the bill to prevent appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 470. By Mr. C. C. Phillips: Petition of L. G. Stewart and 23 other business men of Decatur, Mich., for the passage of the bill relating to justices in justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 471. By Mr. Vought: Petition of L. B. Quick and 99 others asking for passage of House bill No. 268, to prohibit the sale of cigarettes.

Referred to the committee on Public health.

No. 472. By Mr. F. M. Shepherd: Memorial from Arthur Metcalf, pastor, and the board of trustees of the First Congregational Church of Bancroft, Mich., for the membership of that church, praying for the passage of the anti-cigarette bill.

Referred to the committee on Public health.

No. 473. By Mr. F. M. Shepherd: Memorial from members of the First M. E. Church of Bancroft, Mich., praying for the passage of the anti-cigarette bill.

Referred to the committee on Public health.

No. 474. By Mr. Crippen: Petition of James Cantrile and 164 other citizens of the city of Norway asking for the passage of the Molster bill, No. 161.

Referred to the committee on Labor.

No. 475. By Mr. Camburn: Petition of Madison Grange No. 384 for passage of anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 476. By Mr. Camburn: Petition of Madison Grange No. 384 asking for traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 477. By Mr. Camburn: Petition of Fruit Ridge Grange No. 276 asking for passage of anti-color bill.

Referred to committee on Agriculture.

No. 478. By Mr. Camburn: Petition of Fruit Ridge Grange No. 276 asking for the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 479. By Mr. Camburn: Petition of Fruit Ridge Grange No. 276 for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 480. By Mr. Camburn: Petition from Fruit Ridge Grange No. 276 asking passage of bill to prevent appeals from Justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 481. By Mr. Camburn: Petition of Fruit Ridge Grange No. 276 asking the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 482. By Mr. Camburn: Remonstrance from Fruit Ridge Grange No. 276 against repeal of farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 483. By Mr. Camburn: Petition from Madison Grange No. 384 asking for passage of bill to prevent appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 484. By Mr. Camburn: Petition from Madison Grange No. 384 for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 485. By Mr. Camburn: Petition of Fruit Ridge Grange No. 276 asking for traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 486. By Mr. Edgar: Petition from Madison Grange No. 384 asking for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 487. By Mr. Edgar: Petition from Fruit Ridge Grange No. 276 asking for passage of anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 488. By Mr. Edgar: Petition of Fruit Ridge Grange No. 276 asking the continuance of the office of tax statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 489. By Mr. Edgar: Petition of Morenci Grange No. 280 asking the passage of bill to prevent appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 490. By Mr. Edgar: Remonstrance of Morenci Grange No. 280 against the repeal of the farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 491. By Mr. Edgar: Petition of Morenci Grange No. 280 asking for appropriation for traveling library.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 492. By Mr. Edgar: Petition of Morenci Grange No. 280 asking the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 493. By Mr. Edgar: Petition from Morenci Grange No. 493 asking for the continuance of the office of tax statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 494. By Mr. Edgar: Petition from Morenci Grange No. 280 asking for the passage of anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 495. By Mr. Edgar: Petition from Fruit Ridge Grange No. 276 asking for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 496. By Mr. Edgar: Petition of Madison Grange No. 384, asking for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 497. By Mr. Edgar: Petition from Fruit Ridge Grange No. 276 asking for traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 498. By Mr. Edgar: Petition from Madison Grange No. 384 asking for traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 499. By Mr. Edgar: Petition from Fruit Ridge Grange No. 276 asking for passage of the bill to prevent appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 500. By Mr. Edgar. Remonstrance from Fruit Ridge Grange No. 276 against the repeal of the farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 501. By Mr. Edgar: Petition from Fruit Ridge Grange No. 276 praying for passage of farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 502. By Mr. Belknap: Petition of members of the Caro Wixsom Club praying for passage of bill to provide for women physicians on boards of asylum physicians.

No. 503. By Mr. Van Camp: Petition of Pearl Grange No. 81 relative to travelling libraries.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 504. By Mr. Van Camp: Petition from Pearl Grange No. 81 praying for the continuance of the office of tax statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 505. By Mr. Van Camp: Petition from Pearl Grange No. 81, asking for the passage of anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 506. By Mr. Van Camp: Petition for farmers' institute appropriation from the Pearl Grange No. 81.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 507. By Mr. Van Camp: Petition from Pearl Grange No. 81 praying for the passage of the bill to prevent appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 508. By Mr. Van Camp: Petition from Pearl Grange No. 81 against repeal of farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 509. By Mr. Bricker: Petition from Berlin Center Grange No. 272 asking for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 510. By Mr. Van Camp: Petition of Pearl Grange No. 81 relative to salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 511. By Mr. L. D. Dickinson: Petition from Eaton Rapids Grange No. 360 praying for the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 512. By Mr. L. D. Dickinson: Petition of Eaton Rapids Grange No. 360 asking for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 513. By Mr. L. D. Dickinson: Petition from Eaton Rapids Grange No. 360 praying for passage of bill to prevent appeals from Justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 514. By Mr. L. D. Dickinson: Petition from Eaton Rapids Grange No. 360 praying for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 515. By Mr. L. D. Dickinson: Petition of Eaton Rapids Grange No. 360, asking for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 516. By Mr. Graham: Petition of Rockford Grange No. 110 asking for the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 517. By Mr. Graham: Remonstrance of Harmony Grange No. 337 against repeal of farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 518. By Mr. Graham: Petition of Harmony Grange No. 337 in favor of farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 519. By Mr. Graham: Petition of Harmony Grange No. 337 asking for the passage of the Kimmis county salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 520. By Mr. Graham; Petition of Harmony Grange No. 337 asking for the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 521. By Mr. Graham: Petition of Harmony Grange No. 337 asking for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 522. By Mr. Graham: Petition of Rockford Grange No. 110 in favor of farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 523. By Mr. Graham: Petition of Rockford Grange No. 110 asking for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 524. By Mr. Graham: Petition of Rockford Grange No. 110 asking for traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 525. By Mr. Graham: Petition of Rockford Grange No. 110 asking for the passage of the Kimmis county salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 526. By Mr. Graham: Petition of Courtland Grange No. 563 asking for the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 527. By Mr. Graham: Petition of Courtland Grange No. 563 asking for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 528. By Mr. Graham: Petition of Courtland Grange No. 563 in favor of farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 529. By Mr. Graham: Petition of Courtland Grange No. 563 asking for the passage of the Kimmis county salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 530. By Mr. Graham: Petition of Tallmadge Grange No. 639 asking for a bill to prevent appeals from justice courts in certain cases.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 531. By Mr. Graham: Petition of Courtland Grange No. 563 in favor of the repeal of the farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 532. By Mr. Graham: Petition of Tallmadge Grange No. 639 asking for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 533. By Mr. Graham: Petition of Cannon Grange No. 39 asking for traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 534. By Mr. Graham: Petition of Grattan Grange No. 170 asking for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 535. By Mr. Graham: Petition of Grattan Grange No. 170 asking for a bill to prevent appeals from justice courts in certain cases.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 536. By Mr. Graham: Petition of Cannon Grange No. 39 in favor of farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 537. By Mr. Graham: Petition of Cannon Grange No. 39 asking for a bill to prevent appeals from justice courts in certain cases.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 538. By Mr. Graham : Petition of Cannon Grange No. 39 asking for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 539. By Mr. Graham: Petition of Grattan Grange No. 170 asking for the passage of the Kimmis county salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 540. By Mr. Graham: Petition of Grattan Grange No. 170 for the farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture College.

No. 541. By Mr. Graham: Petition of Tallmadge Grange No. 639, for the farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture College.

No. 542. By Mr. Graham: Petition of Tallmadge Grange No. 639, of Ottawa county, asking for the passage of the Kimmis county salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 543. By Mr. Graham: Petition of Tallmadge Grange No. 639 asking for the traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 544. By Mr. Graham: Remonstrance of Courtland Grange No. 563 against the passage of the bill to prevent appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 545. By Mr. Buskirk: Petition of Monterey Grange No. 247 in favor of the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 546. By Mr. Buskirk: Remonstrance from the Monterey Grange No. 247 against the repeal of farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture College.

No. 547. By Mr. Buskirk: Petition of the Monterey Grange No. 247 to continue the office of tax statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 548. By Mr. Buskirk: Petition of the Monterey Grange No. 247 to make appropriation for the farmers' institute.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture College.

No. 549. By Mr. Buskirk: Petition of the Monterey Grange to prevent appeals from justices' courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 550. By Mr. Buskirk: Petition of the Monterey Grange No. 247 asking for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 551. By Mr. Scully: Petition of the Berlin Center Grange No. 272 asking for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 552. By Mr. Tefft: Petition of the Concord Grange No. 155 for traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 553. By Mr. Tefft: Petition of the Concord Grange No. 155 for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 554. By Mr. Tefft: Petition of the Hanover Grange No. 698 for traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 555. By Mr. Tefft: Petition of the Hanover Grange No. 698 for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 556. By Mr. Tefft: Petition of Hanover Grange No. 698 for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 557. By Mr. Tefft: Remonstrance from the Concord Grange No. 155 against repeal of farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 558. By Mr. Tefft: Petition of Concord Grange No. 155 to prevent appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 559. By Mr. Tefft: Petition of Hanover Grange No. 698 to prevent appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 560. By Mr. Tefft: Petition of Concord Grange No. 155 to continue the office of tax statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 561. By Mr. Tefft: Petition of Concord Grange No. 155 asking for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 562. By Mr. Tefft: Petition of the Concord Grange No. 155 for passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 563. By Mr. Caldwell: Petition of Rybald and Clausin and 85 others of the city of Cadillac urging passage of Molster bill No. 161 relative to convict labor.

Referred to the committee on Labor.

No. 564. By Mr. Goodell: Petition of the Woman's Club of Northville to provide that all State asylums having women inmates shall have one or more women physicians on the staff of physicians for such asylums.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 565. By Mr. Caldwell: Remonstrance of George Patrick and 24 others of the village of Harrietta against the disorganization of said village.

Referred to the committee on Village Corporations.

No. 566. By Mr. Caldwell: Petition of S. P. Millard and P. S. Buckel and 49 others asking to have the village of Harrietta in Wexford county disorganized.

Referred to the committee on Village Corporations.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on Local Taxation:

The committee on Local Taxation, to whom was referred

House bill No. 503, entitled

A bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Chippewa to bond said county for the sum of \$40,000 for a period not to exceed 15 years to pay an indebtedness to the State of Michigan and other indebtedness already incurred;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

J. N. Clark,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Connors,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Donovan	Mr. Perry
Allison	Elkhoff	Peters
Alward	Fleischhauer	Petrowsky
Anderson	Fuller	Phillips, C. C.
Atkinson	Gibson	Phillips, M. F.
Babcock, C. G.	Gillam	Powers
Babcock, H.	Goodell	Putney
Belknap	Goodyear	Reed
Bemis	Graham	Savage
Billings	Green	Sawyer
Bricker	Hammond	Scully
Buskirk	Herrig	Shepard, F. M.
Cahoon	Hofmeister	Shepherd, F.
Caldwell	Jackson	Shisler
Campbell	Kerr	Smith
Chamberlain	Kimmis	Stewart
Clark	Lee	Tefft
Clute	Madill	Van Camp
Coad	Marsilje	Vought
Colvin	Mayer	Weier
Connors	Molster	Whitney
Crippen	Moore, M. G.	Wing
Davis	Niedermeler	Zimmerman
Dickinson, J. H.	Otis	Speaker
Dickinson, L. D.	Pearson	

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Connors,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

By the committee on Local Taxation:

The committee on Local Taxation, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 176, entitled

A bill authorizing the city of Tawas City to issue bonds for the purpose of borrowing money with which to pay a judgment debt;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Jasper N. Clark,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Gillam,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Donovan	Mr. Otis
Allison	Eikhoff	Pearson
Alward	Fleischhauer	Perry
Anderson	Fuller	Peters
Atkinson	Gibson	Petrowsky
Babcock, C. G.	Gillam	Phillips, C. C.
Babcock, H.	Goodell	Phillips, M. F.
Belknap	Goodyear	Powers
Bemis	Graham	Putney
Billings	Green	Reed
Bricker	Hammond	Savage
Buskirk	Herrig	Scully
Cahoon	Hofmeister	Shepard, F. M.
Caldwell	Jackson	Shepherd, F.
Campbell	Kerr	Shisler
Chamberlain	Kimmis	Smith
Clute	Lee	Stewart
Coad	Lusk	Tefft
Colvin	Madill	Vought
Connors	Marsilje	Weier
Crippen	Mayer	Whitney
Davis	Molster	Wing
Dickinson, J. H.	Moore, M. G.	Zimmerman
Dickinson, L. D.	Niedermeier	Speaker

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Gillam,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

By the committee on Roads and Bridges:

The committee on Roads and Bridges, to whom was referred
House bill No. 313, entitled

A bill to provide for the protection of persons and property in highways at steam or electric railroad or street railway crossings over public highways, regulating the use of such crossings by street railway, electric

or steam railroad companies, and providing for damages for persons or property injured thereat;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

F. Shepherd,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Weier,

The request was granted, and the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee.

By the committee on Roads and Bridges:

The committee on Roads and Bridges, to whom was referred
House bill No. 506, entitled

A bill to reorganize the several road districts of the townships of Michigan, and to fix the rate of assessment in said townships for highway purposes;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

F. Shepherd,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Clute,

The request was granted, and the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee.

By the committee on Ways and Means.

The committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred
Senate bill No. 3 (file No. 14), entitled

A bill to provide for the completion, printing, binding, distribution and sale of the compiled laws of 1897;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Charles Smith,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER.
Lansing, March 1, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 130 (file No. 33), entitled

A bill to repeal act No. 70 of the session laws of 1875, being an act supplemental to an act entitled "An act to provide for the collection of statistical information of the insane, deaf, dumb, and blind of this State," etc.;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 1, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 131 (file No. 32), entitled

A bill to repeal act No. 227 of the session laws of 1879, being "An act to provide for the collection of the social statistics of Michigan, and to provide for the publication of said statistics;"

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State Affairs.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 120 (file No. 18), entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to amend Sec. 1 of act 77 of the session laws of 1869, entitled 'An act relative to life insurance companies transacting business within this State,' approved March 30, 1869, being compiler's Sec. 1936 of the compiled laws of 1871, Sec. 1, Chap. 131, of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan, as amended by act approved January 27, 1885;"

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS. .

Mr. Adams
Allison
Alward
Anderson

Mr. Dickinson, L. D.
Donovan
Edgar
Elkhoff

Mr. Moore, M. G.
Niedermeier
Otis
Pearson

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Fleischhauer	Mr. Perry
Babcock, C. G.	Foster	Peters
Babcock, H.	Fuller	Petrowsky
Belknap	Gibson	Phillips, M. F.
Bemis	Gillam	Powers
Billings	Goodell	Putney
Bricker	Goodyear	Savage
Buskirk	Graham	Sawyer
Cahoon	Green	Scully
Caldwell	Hammond	Shepard, F. M.
Campbell	Herrig	Shisler
Chamberlain	Hofmeister	Smith
Clark	Jackson	Tefft
Clute	Kerr	Van Camp
Coad	Kimmis	Vought
Colvin	Lusk	Weier
Connors	Madill	Whitney
Crippen	Marsilje	Wing
Davis	Mayer	Zimmerman
Dickinson, J. H.	Molster	Speaker

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Title agreed to.

House bill No. 109 (file No. 36), entitled

A bill to provide for service upon corporations of process issued from circuit courts in chancery;

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Donovan	Mr. Niedermeier
Allison	Edgar	Otis
Alward	Elkhoff	Pearson
Anderson	Fleischhauer	Perry
Atkinson	Foster	Peters
Babcock, C. G.	Fuller	Petrowsky
Babcock, H.	Gibson	Phillips, M. F.
Belknap	Gillam	Powers
Bemis	Goodell	Putney
Billings	Goodyear	Savage
Bricker	Graham	Sawyer
Buskirk	Green	Scully
Cahoon	Hammond	Shepard, F. M.
Caldwell	Herrig	Shepherd, F.
Campbell	Hofmeister	Shisler
Chamberlain	Jackson	Smith
Clark	Kerr	Stewart
Clute	Kimmis	Tefft
Coad	Lee	Van Camp
Colvin	Lusk	Vought

Mr. Connors	Mr. Madill	Mr. Weier
Crippen	Marsilje	Whitney
Davis	Mayer	Wing
Dickinson, J. H.	Molster	Zimmerman
Dickinson, L. D.	Moore, M. G.	Speaker

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Title agreed to.

House bill No. 51 (file No. 53), entitled

A bill to provide for the committing of pauper insane persons to the Kent county insane asylum, and for the transfer of such persons to the State asylum and from the State asylum to said county asylum, and to provide for the support and maintenance of such insane persons;

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Donovan	Mr. Niedermeier
Allison	Edgar	Otis
Alward	Elkhoff	Pearson
Anderson	Fleischhauer	Perry
Babcock, C. G.	Foster	Peters
Babcock, H.	Fuller	Petrowsky
Belknap	Gibson	Phillips, M. F.
Bemis	Gillam	Powers
Billings	Goodell	Putney
Bricker	Goodyear	Savage
Buskirk	Graham	Sawyer
Cahoon	Green	Scully
Caldwell	Hammond	Shepard, F. M.
Camburn	Herrig	Shepherd, F.
Campbell	Hofmeister	Shisler
Chamberlain	Jackson	Smith
Clark	Kerr	Tefft
Coad	Kimmis	Van Camp
Colvin	Lusk	Vought
Connors	Madill	Weier
Crippen	Marsilje	Whitney
Davis	Mayer	Wing
Dickinson, J. H.	Molster	Zimmerman
Dickinson, L. D.	Moore, M. G.	Speaker

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Title agreed to.

House bill No. 233 (file No. 60), entitled

A bill providing for barring the right of dower of insane, imbecile or idiotic married women and authorizing sale or mortgage of such dower right;

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Dickinson, L. D.	Mr. Niedermeier
Allison	Edgar	Otis
Anderson	Eikhoff	Pearson
Atkinson	Fleischhauer	Perry
Babcock, C. G.	Foster	Peters
Babcock, H.	Fuller	Petrowsky
Belknap	Gibson	Phillips, C. C.
Bemis	Gillam	Putney
Billings	Goodell	Savage
Bricker	Goodyear	Sawyer
Buskirk	Graham	Scully
Cahoon	Green	Shepard, F. M.
Caldwell	Hammond	Shepherd, F.
Camburn	Herrig	Shisler
Campbell	Hofmeister	Smith
Chamberlain	Kerr	Stewart
Clark	Kimmis	Tefft
Clute	Lee	Van Camp
Coad	Lusk	Vought
Colvin	Madill	Weier
Connors	Marsilje	Whitney
Crippen	Mayer	Wing
Davis	Molster	Zimmerman
Dickinson, J. H.	Moore, M. G.	Speaker

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Title agreed to.

House bill No. 143 (file No. 39), entitled

A bill to prohibit obstructing the view of persons in theaters, halls, or opera houses where theatrical performances are given, and to provide a penalty therefor;

Was read a third time and was not passed, a majority of all the members elect not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Green	Mr. Phillips, C. C.
Anderson	Hammond	Reed
Connors	Herrig	Savage
Crippen	Hofmeister	Sawyer
Dickinson, J. H.	Kimmis	Shepherd, F.
Donovan	Lee	Shisler
Dudley	Lusk	Stewart
Eikhoff	Madill	Weier
Fleischhauer	Molster	Wing
Fuller	Moore, M. G.	Zimmerman
Gibson	Petrowsky	Speaker
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Mr. Allison	Mr. Clark	Mr. Niedermeier
Alward	Clute	Otis
Atkinson	Coad	Pearson
Babcock, C. G.	Colvin	Perry
Babcock, H.	Davis	Peters
Belknap	Dickinson, L. D.	Phillips, M. F.
Bemis	Edgar	Powers
Billings	Foster	Putney
Bricker	Gillam	Scully
Buskirk	Goodell	Shepard, F. M.
Cahoon	Graham	Smith
Caldwell	Jackson	Tefft
Camburn	Kerr	Van Camp
Campbell	Marsilje	Vought
Chamberlain	Mayer	Whitney

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Mr. Chamberlain moved to reconsider the vote by which the House refused to pass the bill.

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain,

The bill was laid on the table.

House bill No. 208 (file No. 63), entitled

A bill regulating the care of poor persons within St. Clair county;

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Donovan	Mr. Otis
Allison	Edgar	Pearson
Anderson	Eikhoff	Perry
Atkinson	Fleischhauer	Peters
Babcock, C. G.	Foster	Petrowsky
Babcock, H.	Fuller	Phillips, C. C.
Belknap	Gibson	Phillips, M. F.
Bemis	Gillam	Powers
Billings	Goodell	Putney
Bricker	Goodyear	Savage
Buskirk	Graham	Sawyer
Cahoon	Green	Scully
Caldwell	Hammond	Shepard, F. M.
Camburn	Hofmeister	Shepherd, F.
Campbell	Jackson	Shisler
Chamberlain	Kerr	Stewart
Clark	Kimmiss	Van Camp
Coad	Lee	Vought
Colvin	Lusk	Weber
Connors	Madill	Whitney
Crippen	Marsilje	Wing

Mr. Davis
Dickinson, J. H.
Dickinson, L. D.

Mr. Moore, M. G.
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Mr. Zimmerman
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NAYS.

Title agreed to.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. M. G. Moore moved to take from the table,
House bill No. 73 (file No. 11), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. No. 1 of act No. 264 of the session laws of 1889,
entitled "An act relative to disorderly persons and to repeal Chap. 53
of the compiled laws of 1871, as amended by the several acts amendatory
thereof;"

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. M. G. Moore,

The bill was re-referred to the committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Savage,

The House took a recess until 7:30 o'clock this evening.

EVENING SESSION.

7:30 o'clock, p. m.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

The Speaker announced that the hour had arrived for the

SPECIAL ORDER,

Whereupon,

Mr. Chamberlain offered the following:

Resolved, That the special order set for this hour be made a special order
for next Thursday at 2:30 o'clock, p. m.

Which was adopted.

By the committee on Enrollment.

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and
presented to the Governor,

House bill No. 395, entitled

An act to amend act No. 120 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An
act to prevent the spearing of fish in the waters of Long lake in Genesee
county;"

For which your committee hold the receipt of the Executive Office
dated March 2, 1897, at 3:55 o'clock p. m.

Geo. E. Gillam,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

Mr. Petrowsky offered the following:

WHEREAS, We, the members of the legislature of Michigan now assem-
bled, have for months been informed through the public press and in

other ways of the outrages that have been permitted to be practiced upon American citizens by the representatives of the Spanish crown; and

WHEREAS, We are convinced that the American flag has been insulted, the passport issued by the State Department of this country, and bearing its seal, has been trampled in the dust, the lives of American citizens resident upon the island of Cuba have been placed in jeopardy, and others have been imprisoned unlawfully; therefore

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That it is the earnest prayer of every member of the Michigan legislature, that the administration of President McKinley will at once adopt measures to put an end to the insult offered this country by such outrages upon our citizens. We believe that nothing should be guarded with such jealous care as the personal liberty and the property interests of the American citizen, whether at home or abroad; be it further

Resolved, That it is the highest duty of our government to protect her citizens from unjustifiable assaults made by representatives of foreign countries, even if it costs millions of dollars and the expenditure of human life. We send our greetings to the Hon. William McKinley, soon to be inaugurated President of the United States. We believe that he who so patriotically defended the interests of American labor in the halls of Congress, will, with even greater zeal, defend and protect the rights of the American citizen, both at home and abroad.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be transmitted to our Senators and Representatives in Congress, with the request that they present them to President McKinley.

Laid over one day under the rules.

Mr. Scully moved to take from the table,

House bill No. 963, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 9499 of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan, the same being Sec. 10 of Chap. 333 of said compilation, relating to clerks appointed by grand juries, and the evidence taken by such clerks;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Scully,

The bill was referred to the committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Savage,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Wednesday, March 3, 1897.

The House met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Miller.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. Adams, Bryan and McGill.

On motion of Mr. C. C. Phillips,
Leave of absence was granted to all absentees for the day.
On motion of Mr. Bates,
Leave of absence was granted to himself for the day.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 567. By Mr. Harris: Petition from Wilson Grange No. 719 for traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 568. By Mr. Harris: Petition from Wilson Grange No. 719 for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 569. By Mr. Harris: Remonstrance from Wilson Grange No. 719 against repeal of the farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 570. By Mr. Harris: Petition from Wilson Grange No. 570 to prevent appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 571. By Mr. Harris: Petition from Wilson Grange No. 571 for the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 572. By Mr. Harris: Petition of Wilson Grange No. 719 asking for the passage of the Kimmis county salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 573. By Mr. Harris: Petition of Wilson Grange No. 719 asking for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 574. By Mr. Harris: Petition of Boardman Valley Grange No. 664 asking for the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 575. By Mr. Harris: Remonstrance of Boardman Valley Grange No. 664 against the repeal of the farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 576. By Mr. Harris: Petition of Boardman Valley Grange No. 664 asking for a bill to prevent appeal from justice courts in certain cases.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 577. By Mr. Harris: Petition of Boardman Valley Grange No. 664 asking for traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 578. By Mr. Harris: Petition of Boardman Valley Grange No. 664 asking for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 579. By Mr. Harris: Petition of Boardman Valley Grange No. 664 asking for the passage of the Kimmis county salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 580. By Mr. Harris: Petition of Boardman Valley Grange No. 664 asking for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 581. By Mr. Molster: Petition of 136 citizens of Detroit relative to House bill No. 161, "prison labor."

Referred to the committee on Labor.

No. 582. By Mr. Billings: Petition of 56 citizens of Marquette on the same subject.

Referred to the committee on Labor.

No. 583. By Mr. Elkhoff: Petition of 136 citizens of Detroit on the same subject.

Referred to the committee on Labor.

No. 584. By Mr. Lee: Petition from North Branch Grange No. 607 to continue the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 585. By Mr. Lee: Petition from North Branch Grange No. 607 for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 586. By Mr. Lee: Petition from North Branch Grange No. 607 for traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 587. By Mr. Lee: Petition from North Branch Grange No. 607 for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 588. By Mr. Lee: Remonstrance from North Branch Grange No. 607 against repeal of farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 589. By Mr. C. C. Phillips: Petition from Woodman Grange No. 610 for passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 590. By Mr. C. C. Phillips: Petition of Woodman Grange No. 610 for passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 591. By Mr. C. C. Phillips: Petition from Woodman Grange No. 610 to prevent appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 592. By Mr. C. C. Phillips: Petition from Woodman Grange No. 610 for traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 593. By Mr. C. C. Phillips: Petition from Woodman Grange No. 610 to continue the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 594. By Mr. C. C. Phillips: Remonstrance from Woodman Grange No. 610 against repeal of the farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 595. By Mr. C. C. Phillips: Petition of Woodman Grange No. 610 for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 596. By Mr. Jackson: Remonstrance against repeal of farm statistics law from Essex Grange No. 439.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 597. By Mr. Jackson: Petition from Essex Grange No. 439 asking the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 598. By Mr. Jackson: Petition to prevent appeals from justice courts from Essex Grange No. 439.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 599. By Mr. Jackson: Petition from Essex Grange No. 439 for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 600. By Mr. Jackson: Petition from Essex Grange No. 439 for traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 601. By Mr. Jackson: Petition from Essex Grange No. 439 to continue the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 602. By Mr. Jackson: Petition from Essex Grange No. 439 for passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 603. By Mr. Gibson: Petition from Leonidas Grange No. 266 for passage of anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 604. By Mr. Gibson: Remonstrance of Leonidas Grange No. 266 against repeal of farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 605. By Mr. Gibson: Petition of Leonidas Grange No. 266 for traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 606. By Mr. Gibson: Petition from Leonidas Grange No. 266 to prevent appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 607. By Mr. Gibson: Petition of Leonidas Grange No. 266 to continue the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 608. By Mr. Gibson: Petition of Leonidas Grange No. 266 for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 609. By Mr. Gibson: Petition from Leonidas Grange No. 266, asking for passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 610. By Mr. Peek: Petition from Concord Grange No. 155 for the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 611. By Mr. Peek: Petition from Concord Grange No. 155 asking for passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 612. By Mr. Peek: Petition from Hanover Grange No. 698 for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 613. By Mr. Peek: Petition of Hanover Grange No. 698 asking for passage of bill to prevent appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 614. By Mr. Peek: Petition from Hanover Grange No. 698 for traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 615. By Mr. Peek: Petition from Hanover Grange No. 698 asking for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 617. By Mr. Peek: Petition from Concord Grange No. 155 asking the passage of bill to prevent appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 618. By Mr. Peek: Petition from Concord Grange No. 155 for passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 619. By Mr. Peek: Petition of Concord Grange No. 155 for traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 620. By Mr. Peek: Remonstrance from Concord Grange No. 155 against repeal of farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 621. By Mr. Peek: Petition from Concord Grange No. 155 for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 622. By Mr. Wing: Remonstrance from Orangeville Grange No. 424 against repeal of farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 623. By Mr. Wing: Petition for traveling library appropriation from Orangeville Grange No. 424.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 624. By Mr. Wing: Petition from Orangeville Grange No. 424 asking for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 625. By Mr. Wing: Petition from Orangeville Grange No. 424 asking for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 626. By Mr. Wing: Petition from Orangeville Grange No. 424 asking passage of bill to prevent appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 627. By Mr. Wing: Petition from Orangeville Grange No. 424 asking for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 628. By Mr. Wing: Petition from A. F. Hutchinson and 9 other citizens of Banfield, Barry county, asking the passage of medical bill.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 629. By Mr. Fleischhauer: Memorial relating to annexing Lake to Osceola county.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 630. By Mr. Fleischhauer: Memorial relating to annexing Lake to Osceola county.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 631. By Mr. Niedermeier: Petition of Flat Rock Grange No. 636 asking for passage of bill to prevent appeals from justice courts in certain cases.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 632. By Mr. Niedermeier: Petition of Grafton Grange of Monroe county asking for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 633. By Mr. Niedermeier: Petition of the same grange in favor of farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 634. By Mr. Niedermeier: Petition of the same grange in favor of a bill to prevent appeals from justice courts in certain cases.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 635. By Mr. Neidermeier: Petition of the same grange asking for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 636. By Mr. Neidermeier: Petition of the same grange asking for the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 637. By Mr. Neidermeier: Petition of Flat Rock Grange No. 636 asking for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 638. By Mr. Niedermeier: Petition of the same grange asking for the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 639. By Mr. Niedermeier: Petition of the same grange in favor of traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 640. By Mr. Niedermeier: Petition of the same grange asking for the passage of the Kimmis county salary bill.

Referred to committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 641. By Mr. Edgar: Petition of Hudson Center Grange No. 713 asking for the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 642. By Mr. Edgar: Petition of the same grange asking for the passage of the Kimmis county salary bill.

Referred to committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 643. By Mr. Edgar: Remonstrance of the same grange against repeal of the farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 644. By Mr. Sawyer: Petition from Cigarmakers' Union No. 366 of Chelsea, Mich., asking the passage of House bill No. 61.

Referred to the committees on Labor and Public Health.

No. 645. By Mr. Edgar: Petition of Hudson Center Grange No. 713 asking for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 646. By Mr. Edgar: Petition of the same grange for traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 647. By Mr. C. G. Babcock: Petition of Quincy Grange No. 152 asking for passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 648. By Mr. C. G. Babcock: Petition of the same grange asking for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 649. By Mr. C. G. Babcock: Petition of the same grange asking for a bill to prevent appeals from justice courts in certain cases.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 650. By Mr. C. G. Babcock: Petition of the same grange asking for the passage of the Kimmis county salary bill.

Referred to committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 651. By Mr. C. G. Babcock: Remonstrance of the same grange against repeal of the farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 652. By Mr. C. G. Babcock: Petition of the same grange for traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 653. By Mr. Chamberlain: Petition of 9 teachers and the business men of Rockland, Ontonagon county, asking for the passage of the bill providing for the establishment of a normal school in the upper peninsula.

Referred to the committee on Education.

No. 654. By Mr. Mayer: Petition of 37 citizens of Lansing asking for the passage of the Molster prison labor bill.

Referred to the committee on Labor.

No. 655. By Mr. Colvin: Petition of 42 citizens of the State of Michigan asking for the passage of a bill to prohibit the sale and manufacture of oleomargarine and compound lard.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 656. By Mr. Coad: Resolution of Stockbridge Agricultural Society asking for the passage of the Kimmis county salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 657. By Mr. Gillam: Protest of Jas. Parliament and 35 others against passage of House bill No. 251, entitled "A bill to vacate the township of Logan, in the county of Ogemaw."

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 658. By Mr. Clute: Petition of certain taxpayers of Calhoun county in favor of a bill for the taxation of mortgages.

Referred to the committee on General Taxation.

QUESTION OF PRIVILEGE.

Mr. Graham arose to a question of privilege and sent to the clerk's desk to be read, the following from the Grand Rapids Press of March 2, 1897, and against the insinuations of which he protested:

SAY IT IS A JOB.

School trustees oppose the uniform text book bill.

Classed as a dangerous measure in the interests of a big corporation.

Members of the board of education have been looking up the bill introduced in the legislature by Representative Graham and known as the Graham-Forsyth bill, providing for a uniform system of text books in the State. The more they have investigated the measure the more they oppose it, and now there is not a friend to it among all the trustees.

"The bill is a most dangerous one and it is to the interest of the city to see that it never passes," said one of the members this afternoon. "It provides that all schools in the State shall use the same text books, and a bigger swindle was never put up. It not only places the advanced schools in the cities upon the same plane with the country schools, which are in session only four months in the year, but provides that we must adopt text books which we have already rejected and others which we are now trying to get rid of. The whole thing is a job in the interests of some big concern."

It is possible that some action may be taken against the bill at the next meeting of the board of education on Saturday night.

At the close of the reading,

Mr. Graham addressed the House in regard to the matter as follows:

I ask to have this read for the reason that it not only is a reflection upon my own integrity but upon the intelligence and integrity of the joint committee on Education and State Affairs, who have already had this bill under consideration and after having given it due time and attention, have reported the same back to the House with recommendation that it do pass. Not only this, but to show to the members of this House who the opponents of this bill really are.

The article charges that it is a "big job." Yet the facts are it is almost an exact copy of the Indiana law, which is now and has been for many years, in active operation and giving the best satisfaction. It also charges that under this bill schools would again be compelled to use books which they had been years in getting rid of. It will be manifest to any one at all familiar with the provisions of the bill that this is not true, either in letter or spirit. It charges that the bill compels city schools of the higher grades to use the same books used in the country schools. This again is not true, as the bill only includes books used in the primary schools of the State. It charges that it is in the interest of some big corporation or monopoly. As a matter of fact it provides just the reverse and under its provisions such a thing as a combination or monopoly is impossible either in the manufacture or sale of the books; besides this it fixes a maximum price for what they shall be sold to the consumer, which is about one-half what the people of Michigan are now paying for their school books. The bill is in the interest of no monopoly or combine, and is in the interest of the patrons of our public schools, and the only dangerous feature of the bill is that it may possibly endanger some private snaps.

A great many copies of the bill have been sent out, and on my own motion the same was re-referred to the joint committees, and a public hearing will be given on this bill Thursday evening, March 18, at 7:30, so as to give all parties concerned a chance to be heard.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on Private Corporations:

The committee on Private Corporations, to whom was referred House bill No. 568, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 12 of act No. 164 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to amend Sec. 12 of act 232, public acts of 1885, being an act entitled 'An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of all

manufacturing companies, except such as are contemplated by act No. 42 of the session laws of 1867, which provides for the incorporation of persons or corporations engaged in the manufacture of salt, and mercantile companies, or any union of the two, and to fix the duties and liabilities of such corporations,' approved June 20, 1885, as amended by act 170 of the public acts of 1889, and acts No. 76 and 187 of the public acts of 1893;"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House with amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

M. G. Moore,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Graham,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Private Corporations:

The committee on Private Corporations, to whom was referred House bill No. 517, entitled

A bill to declare unlawful and void all arrangements, contracts, agreements, trusts or combinations, made with a view to lessen, or which tend to lessen, free competition in the importation or sale of articles imported into, manufactured, grown or produced in this State; or which tend to advance rates or control the price of any such product or article to producer or consumer, and to provide for the punishment of persons, co-partnerships and corporations entering into such arrangements, contracts and agreements, trusts and combinations;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

M. G. Moore,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. M. G. Moore,

The request was granted, and the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee.

By the committee on Private Corporations:

The committee on Private Corporations, to whom was referred House bill No. 700, entitled

A bill to declare unlawful and void all arrangements, contracts, agreements, trusts or combinations, made with a view to lessen or which tend to lessen free competition or sale of sugar imported into, manufactured, grown or produced in this State, or which tend to advance rates or control the price of sugar to the producer or consumer, and to provide for the punishment of persons, co-partnerships and corporations entering into such arrangements, contracts, agreements, trusts or combinations;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

M. G. Moore,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. M. G. Moore,

The request was granted, and the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee.

By the committee on Private Corporations:

The committee on Private Corporations, to whom was referred House bill No. 295, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 33 of act No. 269 of the public acts of 1895;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

M. G. Moore,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. M. G. Moore,

The request was granted, and the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee.

By the committee on Private Corporations:

The committee on Private Corporations, to whom was referred House bill No. 1011, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 50 of the public acts of 1887, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain incorporations generally known as building and loan associations," as amended, by adding thereto one new section to be known as Sec. No. 34;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

M. G. Moore,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. M. G. Moore,

The request was granted, and the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee.

By the committee on Private Corporations:

The committee on Private Corporations, to whom was referred House bill No. 294, entitled

A bill to regulate building and loan associations;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

M. G. Moore,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. M. G. Moore,

The request was granted, and the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee.

By the committee on Private Corporations:

The committee on Private Corporations, to whom was referred
House bill No. 260, entitled

A bill to prohibit and declare unlawful and void all arrangements, contracts, agreements, trusts or combinations between corporations or between corporations and individuals or between individuals, made with a view to lessen or which tend to lessen free competition in the production, importation, or sale of articles brought into this State, or produced in this State for export, or in the manufacture or sale of articles of domestic growth, or raw material; also to prohibit, declare unlawful and void all arrangements, trusts or combinations between persons or corporations, or between corporations, which are designed or which tend to advance rates or control the price of any such articles to the producer or consumer of such product or article; and to prescribe penalties for infringements of the provisions of this act;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

M. G. Moore,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. M. G. Moore,

The request was granted, and the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee.

By the committee on Private Corporations:

The committee on Private Corporations, to whom was referred
House bill No. 249, entitled

A bill to declare unlawful and void all arrangements, contracts, agreements, trusts, or combinations made with a view to lessen, or which tend to lessen, free competition in the importation or sale of articles imported into this State, or in the manufacture and sale of articles of domestic growth or of domestic raw material; to declare unlawful and void all arrangements, contracts, trusts or combinations between persons, firms, companies, or corporations, designed or which tend to advance, reduce or control the price of such product or article to producer or consumer of any such product or article; to provide for forfeiture of the charter and franchise of any corporation organized under the laws of this State, violating any of the provision of this act; to prohibit any foreign corporation violating any of the provisions of this act from doing business in this State; to require the Attorney General of this State to institute legal proceedings against any such corporation violating the provisions of this act, and to enforce the penalties prescribed; to prescribe penalties for any violations of this act; and to authorize any person, firm, company or corporation, damaged by any such trust, agreement or combination, to sue for the recovery of such damage, and for other purposes;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

M. G. Moore,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. M. G. Moore,
The request was granted, and the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee.

By the committee on Private Corporations:

The committee on Private Corporations, to whom was referred
House bill No. 185, entitled

A bill to provide for the management of corporations incorporated under act No. 50, public acts 1887, and all acts amendatory thereto: *Provided*, That such corporation is doing any part of its business through the medium of local boards, and outside of the county where the business office of such corporation is located, and to provide a penalty for any violation of this act;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

M. G. Moore,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. M. G. Moore,

The request was granted, and the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee.

By the committee on Private Corporations:

The committee on Private Corporations, to whom was referred
House bill No. 611, entitled

A bill to provide for the examination by the Commissioner of the Banking Department of the State of all corporations incorporated under act No. 50, public acts of 1887, and all acts amendatory thereto, and the compensation for making such examinations, and a penalty for the violation of any of the provisions of this act, and for the repeal of all existing laws inconsistent herewith;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

M. G. Moore,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. M. G. Moore,

The request was granted, and the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee.

By the committee on Private Corporations:

The committee on Private Corporations, to whom was referred
House bill No. 211, entitled

A bill to authorize and provide for the incorporation of local building and loan associations, and for defining their powers and duties;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

M. G. Moore,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. M. G. Moore,

The request was granted, and the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee.

By the committee on Private Corporations:

The committee on Private Corporations, to whom was referred House bill No. 1007, entitled

A bill to regulate foreign building and loan associations;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

M. G. Moore,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. M. G. Moore,

The request was granted, and the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee.

By the committee on Eastern Asylum for Insane:

The committee on Eastern Asylum for Insane, to whom was referred House bill No. 1116, entitled

A bill requiring the trustees of the various asylums in this State for insane, to properly stamp and promptly mail, without opening or reading, all letters sent by the inmates of any asylum in this State, and also to deliver to various inmates of said asylums all letters directed to them without opening or reading;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

James Connors,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Eastern Asylum for Insane:

The committee on Eastern Asylum for Insane, to whom was referred House bill No. 762, entitled

A bill to authorize the trustees of the Eastern Michigan Asylum to purchase land for the use and benefit of said asylum, and to pay for the same out of any moneys in the treasury of said asylum;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

James Connors,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

By the committee on Eastern Asylum for Insane:

The committee on Eastern Asylum for Insane, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 24 (file No. 28), entitled

A bill to authorize the trustees of the Eastern Michigan Asylum to erect and equip a laundry building and to provide electric lighting for said asylum;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

James Connors,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

By the committee on Fisheries and Game:

The committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred

House bill No. 414, entitled

A bill to define the limits of Wild Fowl bay, and to prohibit fishing with nets within such limits;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Geo. B. Davis,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Madill,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Allison	Mr. Fleischhauer	Mr. Perry
Alward	Foster	Peters
Anderson	Fuller	Petrowsky
Atkinson	Gibson	Phillips, C. C.
Babcock, C. G.	Gillam	Phillips, M. F.
Babcock, H.	Goodell	Powers
Belknap	Goodyear	Putney
Bemis	Graham	Reed
Billings	Green	Savage
Bricker	Hammond	Sawyer
Buskirk	Harris	Scully
Cahoon	Herrig	Shepard, F. M.
Caldwell	Hofmeister	Shepherd, F.
Camburn	Jackson	Shisler
Campbell	Kerr	Smith
Chamberlain	Kimmis	Stewart
Clark	Lee	Stoneman
Clute	Lusk	Tefft
Coad	Madill	Van Camp
Colvin	Marsilje	Vought

Mr. Connors	Mr. Mayer	Mr. Washer
Crippen	Molster	Weier
Davis	Moore, E. W.	Wetherbee
Dickinson, J. H.	Niedermeler	Whitney
Dickinson, L. D.	Otis	Wing
Donovan	Pearson	Zimmerman
Dudley	Peek	Speaker
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Madill,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

By the committee on Fisheries and Game:

The committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred

House bill No. 967, entitled

A bill to regulate the holding of meetings for running and trotting horse races;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill be referred to the committee on Religious and Benevolent Societies.

Geo. B. Davis,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Davis,

The bill was referred as requested by the committee to the committee on Religious and Benevolent Societies.

By the committee on Fisheries and Game:

The committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred

House bill No. 579, entitled

A bill to provide for the preservation of deer in Monroe county and providing a penalty for their destruction;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Geo. B. Davis,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Weier,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Allison	Mr. Fleischhauer	Mr. Peek
Alward	Foster	Perry
Anderson	Fuller	Peters
Atkinson	Gibson	Petrowsky

Mr. Babcock, C. G.	Mr. Gillam	Mr. Phillips, C. C.
Babcock, H.	Goodell	Phillips, M. F.
Belknap	Goodyear	Powers
Bemis	Graham	Putney
Billings	Green	Reed
Bricker	Hammond	Savage
Buskirk	Harris	Sawyer
Cahoon	Herrig	Scully
Campbell	Hofmeister	Shepard, F. M.
Chamberlain	Jackson	Shepherd, F.
Clark	Kerr	Shisler
Clute	Kimmis	Stewart
Coad	Lee	Stoneman
Colvin	Lusk	Tefft
Connors	Madill	Van Camp
Crippen	Marsilje	Washer.
Davis	Mayer	Weier
Dickinson, J. H.	Molster	Wetherbee
Dickinson, L. D.	Moore, E. W.	Whitney
Donovan	Niedermeier	Wing
Edgar	Otis	Zimmerman
Eikhoff	Pearson	Speaker

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Title agreed to.

By the committee on Fisheries and Game:

The committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred
House bill No. 317, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of act No. 200 of the public acts of Michigan,
1895;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration,
and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without
amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged
from the further consideration of the subject.

Geo. B. Davis,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole,
and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Education:

The committee on Education, to whom was referred
House bill No. 586, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 5056 of Howell's annotated statutes, relative to the
qualifications of persons eligible to election or appointment to office in
a school district;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration,
and have directed me to report the same back to the House without
amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged
from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. Bemis,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Education:

The committee on Education, to whom was referred

House bill No. 981, entitled

A bill to incorporate the public schools of the city of Ironwood, county of Gogebic, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts inconsistent therewith;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. Bemis,

Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Allison	Mr. Eikhoff	Mr. Pearson
Alward	Fleischhauer	Perry
Anderson	Foster	Peters
Atkinson	Fuller	Petrowsky
Babcock, C. G.	Gibson	Phillips, C. C.
Babcock, H.	Gillam	Phillips, M. F.
Belknap	Goodell	Powers
Bemis	Goodyear	Putney
Billings	Graham	Reed
Bricker	Green	Savage
Buskirk	Hammond	Sawyer
Cahoon	Harris	Shepard, F. M.
Caldwell	Herrig	Shisler
Camburn	Hofmeister	Smith
Campbell	Jackson	Stewart
Chamberlain	Kerr	Stoneman
Clark	Kimmis	Tefft
Clute	Lee	Van Camp
Coad	Lusk	Vought
Colvin	Madill	Washer
Connors	Marsilje	Weier
Crippen	Mayer	Wetherbee
Davis	Molster	Whitney
Dickinson, J. H.	Moore, E. W.	Wing
Dickinson, L. D.	Niedermeyer	Zimmerman
Edgar	Otis	Speaker

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

By the committee on Agriculture:

The committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred
House bill No. 155 (file No. 64), entitled

A bill to prohibit and prevent adulteration, fraud and deception in the manufacture and sale of buckwheat flour;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

L. E. Belknap,

Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Towns and Counties:

The committee on Towns and Counties, to whom was referred
House bill No. 266, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 102 of the public acts of 1879, being compiler's Sec. 502 of volume 1, Howell's annotated statutes, being an act to amend consecutive sections 496 of the compiled laws of 1871, as amended by act No. 88 of the session laws of 1877, relative to the compensation of supervisors;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

T. M. Camburn,

Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Towns and Counties:

The committee on Towns and Counties, to whom was referred
House bill No. 491, entitled

A bill to amend act 149 of the public acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for a county and township system of roads and to prescribe the powers and duties of the officers having the charge thereof," by adding two new sections thereto;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

T. M. Camburn,

Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Towns and Counties,
The committee on Towns and Counties, to whom was referred
House bill No. 154, entitled

A bill to require township boards to make and publish annually an itemized statement of the condition of the finances of the township in relation to the receipts and disbursements made by the township board;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying substitute therefor, entitled

A bill to require township boards to make and publish annually an itemized statement of the condition of the finances of the township in relation to the receipts and disbursements made by the township board;

Recommending that the substitute be concurred in, and that the substitute do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

T. M. Camburn,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Goodell,

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on City Corporations:

The committee on City Corporations, to whom was referred
House bill No. 330, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of act No. 348 of the session laws of 1891, entitled "An act to incorporate the city of St. Joseph, in Berrien county, and to repeal act No. 267 of the session laws of 1873, and all acts amendatory thereof," approved June 5, 1891;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

P. Herrig,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Van Camp,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Allison	Mr. Foster	Mr. Petrowsky
Alward	Fuller	Phillips, C. C.
Anderson	Gibson	Powers
Babcock, C. G.	Gillam	Putney
Babcock, H.	Goodyear	Reed
Bemis	Graham	Savage
Billings	Hammond	Sawyer

Mr. Bricker
 Buskirk
 Cahoon
 Caldwell
 Camburn
 Campbell
 Chamberlain
 Clark
 Clute
 Coad
 Colvin
 Crippen
 Davis
 Dickinson, J. H.
 Dickinson, L. D.
 Elkhoff
 Fleischhauer

Mr. Harris
 Herrig
 Hofmeister
 Kerr
 Kimmis
 Lee
 Lusk
 Marsilje
 Mayer
 Molster
 Moore, E. W.
 Niedermeyer
 Otis
 Pearson
 Peek
 Perry
 Peters

Mr. Scully
 Shepard, F. M.
 Shepherd, F.
 Shisler
 Smith
 Stewart
 Stoneman
 Tefft
 Van Camp
 Vought
 Washer
 Weier
 Wetherbee
 Whitney
 Wing
 Speaker

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Van Camp,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

By the committee on City Corporations:

The committee on City Corporations, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 364, entitled

A bill to legalize the assessment and tax rolls of the city of Saginaw and the return of the delinquent taxes thereon to the county treasurer, for the years 1895 and 1896;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

P. Herrig,
 Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Herrig,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Allison
 Alward
 Anderson
 Atkinson
 Babcock, C. G.
 Bemis
 Billings
 Bricker
 Buskirk

Mr. Fuller
 Gibson
 Gillam
 Goodyear
 Graham
 Green
 Hammond
 Harris
 Herrig

Mr. Petrowsky
 Phillips, C. C.
 Powers
 Putney
 Reed
 Savage
 Sawyer
 Scully
 Shepard, F. M.

Mr. Cahoon	Mr. Hofmeister	Mr. Shepherd, F.
Caldwell	Kerr	Shisler
Camburn	Kimmis	Smith
Campbell	Lee	Stewart
Chamberlain	Lusk	Stoneman
Clark	Marsilje	Tefft
Clute	Mayer	Van Camp
Coad	Molster	Vought
Colvin	Moore, E. W.	Washer
Crippen	Niedermeier	Weier
Davis	Otis	Whitney
Dickinson, J. H.	Pearson	Wing
Dickinson, L. D.	Peek	Zimmerman
Eikhoff	Perry	Speaker
Fleischhauer		

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Herrig,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

By the committee on City Corporations:

The committee on City Corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 343, entitled

A bill to authorize the city of Iron Mountain to appropriate money for the construction and maintenance of a highway through the township of Breitung, in the county of Dickinson;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

P. Herrig,

Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on City Corporations:

The committee on City Corporations, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 77, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 17 of Chap. 7 of act No. 326 of local acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide a charter for the city of Detroit and to repeal all acts or parts of acts in conflict therewith, approved June 7, 1883, as amended by act No. 488 of the local acts of 1887;"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

P. Herrig,

Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Elections:

The committee on Elections, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 81 (file No. 21), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 4 of an act entitled "An act to prescribe the manner of conducting and to prevent fraud and deceptions at elections in this State," the same being Sec. 4 of act No. 190 of the public acts of 1891 as amended by Sec. 4 of act No. 17 of the public acts of 1893, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without recommendation, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. E. Stewart,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. C. C. Phillips,

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Elections:

The committee on Elections, to whom was referred

House bill No. 6, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 17, of Act No. 411, of local acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for, regulate and protect primaries, primary elections and conventions of political parties in the county of Wayne, and to punish offenses committed thereat," and to add eight new sections to said act so as to prohibit the holding of any political convention for the nomination of candidates for any county office of said county or for the nomination of candidates for member of the legislature of this State, and to provide for such nomination by direct vote of the electors.

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying substitute therefor, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 7, 8, 9, 12 and 17 of act No. 411 of the local acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for, regulate and protect primary elections and conventions of political parties in the county of Wayne, and to punish offenses committed thereat" and to add 13 new sections to said act so as to prohibit the printing upon the ballot used at any election of any ticket nominated by any political convention for the nomination of candidates for any county office of said county and for any city office of the city of Detroit in said county, or for the nomination of candidates for member of the legislature of this State, and to provide for such nominations by direct vote of the electors;

Recommending that the substitute be concurred in, and that the substitute be printed for the use of the committee.

A. E. Stewart,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Stewart,

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by committee.

On motion of Mr. Stewart,

The request was granted, and the bill was ordered printed for the use of the committee.

By the committee on Village Corporations:

The committee on Village Corporations, to whom was referred House bill No. 415, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 19 of Chap. 9 of act No. 3 of the public acts of 1895, being "An act to provide for the incorporation of villages within the State of Michigan, and defining their powers and duties;"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Isaac Marsilje,

Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Judiciary:

The committee on Judiciary to whom was referred

House joint resolution No. 8 (file No. 90), entitled

Joint resolution proposing amendments to Secs. 1 and 20 of Art. 4 of the constitution of this State and also to add three new sections thereto to stand as sections 50, 51 and 52, relative to granting legislative power to the electors and the manner of exercising the same;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without recommendation, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. J. Sawyer,

Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Sawyer,

The joint resolution was laid on the table.

By the committee on Judiciary:

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 328, entitled

A bill to provide for the commencements of suits in this State on bonds provided by law to be filed in probate courts in the county where such bond is filed, and for the service of process in any part of this State, when suit thereon is ordered to be commenced by the probate judge on such bond;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. J. Sawyer,

Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Speaker announced the following:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Lansing, March 2, 1897.

To the Honorable Members of the House of Representatives:

Complying with the request of the House of Representatives, I return to you herewith, House bill No. 121 (file No. 19), the same being

An act to amend Sec. 6 of act 187 of the session laws of 1887, approved June 7, 1887, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of co-operative and mutual benefit associations, and to define the powers and duties, and regulate the transaction of the business of all such corporations doing business within this State," and to add two new sections thereto to stand as Secs. 32 and 33;

That the same may be ordered to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

H. S. Pingree,
Governor.

On motion of Mr. Coad,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

The bill was then re-referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 2, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 248 (file No. 69), entitled

A bill authorizing the incorporation of homes for aged, infirm or indigent men or women;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 2, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 153 (file No. 57), entitled

A bill to legalize and make valid certain assessments for lateral sewer purposes in the city of Negaunee, Marquette county, Mich., and to provide a method for collecting delinquent taxes thereunder;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 3, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 321, entitled

A bill to empower the school district of Sault Ste. Marie, in the city of Sault Ste. Marie, in Chippewa county, to bond itself by vote of its electors according to law, in a sum not to exceed \$50,000. in excess of the maximum amount now allowed by law for the purpose of purchasing school house sites, building school houses and equipping and furnishing the same;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 3, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 290, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 12 of act No. 306 of the local acts of 1893, entitled "An act relative to justices' courts in the city of Grand Rapids, to reduce the number thereof, and to fix the compensation of such justices, and provide a clerk and offices therefor," approved March 22, 1893, as amended, and to add ten new sections thereto to stand as Secs. 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22 and 23;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 3, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 172, entitled

A bill to authorize the village of Laurium, in the county of Houghton, to borrow money and issue bonds therefor to the amount of \$35,000 for the purpose of constructing sewers and establishing a sewer system;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 3, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 208 (file No. 63), entitled

A bill regulating the care of poor persons within St. Clair county;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Zimmerman,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

The bill was then referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment, and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 3, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 259, entitled

A bill to authorize the village of Allegan, in the county of Allegan, Michigan, to borrow money for the purpose of improving the dam and water power in the village of Allegan;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has been ordered to take immediate effect, and in all of which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Village Corporations.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Sawyer moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of

House bill No. 106 (file No. 67), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 182 of the public acts of 1893, approved May 31, 1893, entitled "An act to amend Sec. 14 of act No. 146 of the laws of Michigan for the year 1857, entitled 'An act to provide for the organization of the supreme court pursuant to Sec. 2 of Art. 6 of the constitution,' approved February 16, 1857, as amended, relative to salaries of justices of the supreme court, and requiring them to reside, during their terms of office, in the city of Lansing, being compiler's Sec. 6393 of third Howell's annotated statutes of the State of Michigan;"

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Sawyer,

The bill was re-referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Lusk moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of

House bill No. 227 (file No. 54), entitled

A bill to prescribe the manner of marking and to prevent fraud and deception in the manufacture and sale of dynamite or explosive cartridges in this State;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Lusk,

The bill was referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Molster moved to take from the table,

House joint resolution No. 8 (file No. 90), entitled

Joint resolution proposing amendments to Secs. 1 and 20 of the Art. 4 of the constitution of this State and also to add three new sections thereto to stand as Secs. 50, 51 and 52, relative to granting legislative power to the electors and the manner of exercising the same;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Edgar moved that the committee on Rules and Joint Rules be instructed to devise some method by which petitions may be sent to the proper committees, and without the present method of record on the Journal, and report the same to the House;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Fleischhauer moved to take from the table,

House bill No. 521, entitled

A bill to consolidate fractional school district No. 5 of the townships of Yates and Cherry Valley, in Lake county, and school district No. 1 of Cherry Valley township, in Lake county;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Fleischhauer,

The bill was referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. F. M. Shepard moved to take from the table,

House bill No. 754, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the union school district of the city of Owosso and attach the same to fractional school district No. 4 of the townships of Owosso and Caledonia;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. F. M. Shepard,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Allison	Mr. Fuller	Mr. Peters
Alward	Gibson	Petrowsky
Anderson	Gillam	Phillips, C. C.
Babcock, C. G.	Goodell	Powers
Babcock, H.	Goodyear	Putney
Bemis	Graham	Reed
Buskirk	Hammond	Savage
Cahoon	Harris	Scully
Camburn	Herrig	Shepard, F. M.
Campbell	Hofmeister	Shepherd, F.
Chamberlain	Jackson	Shisler
Clark	Kimmis	Smith
Clute	Lee	Stewart
Coad	Madill	Stoneman
Colvin	Marsilje	Tefft
Connors	Mayer	Van Camp
Crippen	Molster	Weier
Davis	Niedermeier	Wetherbee
Dickinson, J. H.	Otis	Whitney
Dickinson, L. D.	Pearson	Wing
Donovan	Peek	Zimmerman
Dudley	Perry	Speaker
Eikhoff		

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. F. M. Shepard,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Whitney moved to take from the table,

House bill No. 865, entitled

A bill to legalize the taxes assessed in the city of North Muskegon for the years of 1895 and 1896;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Whitney,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill having been read a third time and the question being upon its passage, pending the taking of the vote thereon,

On motion of Mr. Herrig,

The bill was referred to the committee on Local Taxation.

Mr. Fleischhauer offered the following:

WHEREAS, The bill now before the committee on Towns and Counties calling for the disorganization of Lake county and to attach the same to adjoining counties has assumed such shape that in order to get at the true situation that said committee may act intelligently, said committee are desirous of visiting this locality and proceed to satisfy themselves; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the committee on Towns and Counties be hereby authorized to visit such county or counties and make such investigations as they may deem best. The same rule as to expenses to apply to this committee as has been adopted.

Which was not adopted.

Mr. Sawyer moved to take from the table

House joint resolution No. 8 (file No. 90), entitled

Joint resolution proposing amendments to Secs. 1 and 20 of the article 4 of the constitution of this State and also to add three new sections thereto to stand as Secs. 50, 51 and 52, relative to granting legislative power to the electors and the manner of exercising the same;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Sawyer,

The joint resolution was referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS,

Being the consideration of the following:

WHEREAS, We, the members of the legislature of Michigan now assembled, have for months been informed through the public press and in other ways of the outrages that have been permitted to be practiced upon American citizens by the representatives of the Spanish crown; and

WHEREAS, We are convinced that the American flag has been insulted, the passport issued by the State Department of this country, and bearing its seal, has been trampled in the dust, the lives of American citizens resident upon the island of Cuba have been placed in jeopardy, and others have been imprisoned unlawfully; therefore

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That it is the earnest prayer of every member of the Michigan legislature that

the administration of President McKinley will at once adopt measures to put an end to the insult offered this country by such outrages upon our citizens. We feel that nothing should be guarded with such jealous care as the personal liberty and the property interests of the American citizen, whether at home or abroad; be it further

Resolved, That it is the highest duty of our government to protect her citizens from unjustifiable assaults made by the representatives of foreign countries, even if it costs millions of dollars, and the expenditure of human life. We send our greetings to the Hon. William McKinley, soon to be inaugurated President of the United States. We believe that he who so patriotically defended the interests of American labor in the halls of Congress, will, with even greater zeal, defend and protect the rights of the American citizen, both at home and abroad.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be transmitted to our Senators and Representatives in Congress, with the request that they present them to President McKinley.

The question being on concurring in the adoption of the resolution,

On motion of Mr. F. Shepard,

The resolution was referred to the committee on Federal Relations.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Herrig,

The House went into committee of the whole on the general order, whereupon

The Speaker called Mr. Davis to the chair.

After some time spent therein the committee rose and, through their chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following:

1. House bill No. 18 (file No. 65), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 30 of act No. 264 of the session laws of 1861, entitled "An act to authorize proceedings by garnishment in the circuit courts and the district court of the upper peninsula," approved March 16, 1861, as subsequently amended, the same being Sec. 8086 of Howell's annotated statutes;

2. Senate bill No. 81 (file No. 21), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 4 of an act entitled "An act to prescribe the manner of conducting and to prevent fraud and deception at elections in this State, the same being Sec. 4 of act 190 of the public acts of 1891, as amended by Sec. 4 of act No. 17 of the public acts of 1893, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act:"

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend their passage.

The committee of the whole have also had under consideration the following:

3. House bill No. 96 (file No. 70), entitled

A bill to make an appropriation for the support of the State Agricultural College, for the repair of buildings, and other improvements at said college;

4. House bill No. 31 (file No. 30), entitled

A bill to provide for public notice and opportunity for a public hearing before the mayor and common council of all cities concerning all special or general city laws, relating to such cities;

5. House bill No. 19 (file No. 66), entitled

A bill to amend Sec 25 of act No. 137 of the laws of 1849 as amended, relative to authorizing proceedings against garnishees and for other purposes as amended, being Sec. 8055 of Howell's annotated statutes as amended by act No. 178 of the session laws of 1891;

Have made sundry amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend their passage.

G. B. Davis,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The first and second named bills were placed on the order of third reading.

On motion of Mr. Sawyer,

The House concurred in the amendments made by the committee to the third, fourth and fifth named bills and they were placed on the order of third reading.

Mr. C. C. Phillips moved that the rules be suspended, and that Senate bill No. 81 (file No. 21), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 4 of an act entitled "An act to prescribe the manner of conducting and to prevent fraud and deceptions at elections in this State, the same being Sec. 4 of act 190 of the public acts of 1891, as amended by Sec. 4 of act No. 17 of the public acts of 1893, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act;"

Be put on its immediate passage;

Which motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Allison	Mr. Edgar	Mr. Perry
Alward	Fleischhauer	Petrowsky
Anderson	Foster	Phillips, C. C.
Atkinson	Gibson	Phillips, M. F.
Babcock, C. G.	Gillam	Powers
Babcock, H.	Graham	Putney
Bemis	Green	Reed
Bricker	Hammond	Savage
Buskirk	Harris	Sawyer
Cahoon	Herrig	Scully
Caldwell	Hofmeister	Shepard, F. M.
Campbell	Jackson	Shepherd, F.
Chamberlain	Kiminis	Shisler
Clark	Lee	Smith
Clute	Lusk	Stewart

Mr. Coad	Mr. Madill	Mr. Tefft
Colvin	Mayer	Van Camp
Connors	Molster	Vought
Crippen	Moore, E. W.	Washer
Davis	Niedermeyer	Weier
Dickinson, J. H.	Otis	Wing
Dickinson, L. D.	Pearson	Zimmerman
Donovan	Peek	Speaker
Dudley		

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. C. C. Phillips,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

The Speaker announced the following:

Committee to investigate the Wixom pardon, to report in relation thereto in pursuance of House resolution adopted March 1: Messrs. Bates, F. Shepard, Savage, Peek and C. G. Babcock.

On motion of Mr. Sawyer,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Thursday, March 4, 1897.

The House met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Miller.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Mr. McGill.

On motion of Mr. Anderson,

Leave of absence was granted to all absentees for the day.

On motion of Mr. Harris,

Leave of absence was granted to himself until Wednesday next.

On motion of Mr. Kimmis,

Leave of absence was granted to himself for tomorrow.

On motion of Mr. Davis,

Leave of absence was granted to himself for tomorrow.

On motion of Mr. Dudley,

Leave of absence was granted to himself for tomorrow.

Mr. Chamberlain offered the following:

WHEREAS, A very large majority of the people of this government, irrespective of political affiliations, are rejoiced that Hon. William McKinley has been this day duly inaugurated President of the United States, and hope his administration so auspiciously begun will result in the increased happiness and prosperity of the whole American people; therefore

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House be requested to telegraph to the President a message of congratulation and greeting on behalf of the legislature of Michigan.

Pending the order that the resolution lie over one day under the rules,
On motion of Mr. Chamberlain,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the resolution was put upon its immediate consideration.

The resolution was then adopted.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 659. By mail to the Clerk: Petition from Pipestone Grange No. 194 asking for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 660. By mail to the Clerk: Petition from Pipestone Grange No. 194 for prevention of appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 661. By mail to the Clerk: Petition of Pipestone Grange No. 194 for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 662. By mail to the Clerk: Petition of Pipestone Grange No. 194 asking for the traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 663. By mail to the Clerk: Petition from Pipestone Grange No. 194 praying for the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 664. By mail to the Clerk: Petition from Pipestone Grange No. 194 praying for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 665. By mail to the Clerk: Remonstrance against repeal of farm statistics law from Pipestone Grange No. 194.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 666. By Mr. Dudley: Petition from Ashland Grange No. 545 for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 667. By Mr. Dudley: Petition of Ashland Grange No. 545 for the prevention of appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 668. By Mr. Dudley: Petition from Hesperia Grange No. 495 for the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 669. By Mr. Dudley: Petition of Ashland Grange No. 545 praying for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 670. By Mr. Dudley: Petition from Ashland Grange No. 545 praying for traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 671. By Mr. Dudley: Petition from Ashland Grange No. 545 asking for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 672. By Mr. Dudley: Petition from Ashland Grange No. 545 for the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 673. By Mr. Dudley: Petition from Ashland Grange No. 545 against repeal of farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 674. By Mr. Dudley: Remonstrance against repeal of farm statistics law from Hesperia Grange No. 495.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 675. By Mr. Dudley: Petition from Hesperia Grange No. 495 for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 676. By Mr. Dudley: Petition from Hesperia Grange No. 495 asking the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 677. By Mr. Dudley: Petition of Hesperia Grange No. 495 for prevention of appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 678. By Mr. Dudley: Petition from Hesperia Grange No. 495 for traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 679. By Mr. Petrowsky: Petition of 40 citizens of Detroit relative to prison labor bill, No. 161, Molster bill.

No. 680. By Mr. Dudley: Petition from Hesperia Grange No. 495 for passage of anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 681. By Mr. C. C. Babcock: Petition from Batavia Grange No. 95 asking for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 682. By Mr. C. C. Babcock: Petition from Batavia Grange No. 95 for traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 683. By Mr. C. C. Babcock: Petition from Batavia Grange No. 95 for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 684. By Mr. C. C. Babcock: Petition from Batavia Grange No. 95 for the prevention of appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 685. By Mr. C. C. Babcock: Petition from Batavia Grange No. 95 for passage of anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 686. By Mr. C. C. Phillips: Petition from Paw Paw Grange No. 10 for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 687. By Mr. C. C. Phillips: Petition from Paw Paw Grange No. 10 for the traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 688. By Mr. C. C. Phillips: Petition from Paw Paw Grange No. 10 against repeal of farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 689. By Mr. C. C. Phillips: Petition of Paw Paw Grange No. 10 for appropriation for farmers' institute.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 690. By Mr. C. C. Phillips: Petition from Paw Paw Grange No. 10 for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 691. By Mr. C. C. Phillips: Petition from Paw Paw Grange No. 10 to prevent appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 692. By Mr. C. C. Phillips: Petition from Paw Paw Grange No. 10 for the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 693. By Mr. Foster: Remonstrance of W. E. Deqen, village president, and 45 other citizens of the village of Lake Ann, against the two cent per mile passenger fare railway bill.

Referred to the committee on Railroads.

No. 694. By Mr. Foster: Remonstrance of H. W. Cunningham and 47 other citizens of Traverse City against the passage of the two cent per mile railway passenger bill.

Referred to the committee on Railroads.

No. 695. By Mr. Foster: Remonstrance of A. C. Wynkoop and 9 other citizens of Cedar Run against the passage of the two cent per mile railway passenger bill.

Referred to the committee on Railroads.

No. 696. By Mr. F. Shepherd: Petition from 60 merchants of Petoskey for the passage of the bill relative to garnishees in justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 697. By Mr. Wetherbee: Petitions from 28 lodges of State Grange recommending increased appropriation for traveling library.

Referred to the committee on State Library.

No. 698. By Mr. Wetherbee: Petitions from Munising, Jackson, Eaton Rapids, Grand Rapids, Kalamazoo, Hartford, Detroit, Charlotte, St. Louis, Grand Haven, Dowagiac, Vicksburg, Caro, Lansing, Mason, Three Rivers, Saginaw, Northville, Ypsilanti, Muskegon, Owosso, Pennfield, Ironwood, Manistee, Romeo, Battle Creek, Twelve Corners, Ann Arbor, Bay City, Alma, Adrian and Kenton and other places, urging increased appropriation for the traveling library.

Referred to the committee on State Library.

No. 699. By Mr. Davis: Petition from the Romeo Monday Club relative to having women physicians on the staff of the physicians at asylums.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 700. By Mr. Mayer: Petition of Dan H. Hasbrouck and 53 other citizens of Lansing praying for the passage of House bill No. 161, to provide for the employment of convicts.

Referred to the committee on Labor.

No. 701. By Mr. Mayer: Petition of White Oak Grange No. 241 remonstrating against repeal of farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 702. By Mr. Mayer: Petition from White Oak Grange No. 241 for traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 703. By Mr. Mayer: Petition from White Oak Grange No. 241 asking for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 704. By Mr. Mayer: Petition from White Oak Grange No. 241 asking for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture College.

No. 705. By Mr. Mayer: Petition from White Oak Grange No. 241 for the prevention of appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 706. By Mr. Mayer: Petition from White Oak Grange No. 241 asking for the passage of the Kimmis official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 707. By Mr. Mayer: Petition from White Oak Grange No. 241 asking the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 708. By Mr. Harris: Petition from Kalkaska Grange No. 697 for traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 709. By Mr. Harris: Petition of Kalkaska Grange No. 697 asking for the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 710. By Mr. Harris: Petition of Kalkaska Grange No. 697 for traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 711. By Mr. Harris: Remonstrance of Kalkaska Grange No. 697 against repeal of farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 712. By Mr. Harris: Petition of Kalkaska Grange No. 697 for the prevention of appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 713. By Mr. Harris: Petition of Kalkaska Grange No. 697 for passage of anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 714. By Mr. Harris: Petition from Kalkaska Grange No. 697 for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 715. By Mr. Harris: Petition of Kalkaska Grange No. 697 asking for passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 716. By Mr. Harris: Petition of Alba Grange No. 716 for traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 717. By Mr. Harris: Petition of Alba Grange No. 716 for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture College.

No. 718. By Mr. Harris: Petition of Alba Grange No. 716 asking for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 719. By Mr. Harris: Petition of Alba Grange No. 716 for the prevention of appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 720. By Mr. Harris: Petition of Alba Grange No. 716 for the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 721. By Mr. Harris: Petition of Alba Grange No. 716 asking for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 722. By Mr. Harris: Remonstrance against repeal of farm statistics law, from Alba Grange No. 716.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 723. By Mr. Harris: Petition from Clearwater Grange No. 674 for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture College.

No. 724. By Mr. Harris: Petition of Clearwater Grange No. 674 for traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 725. By Mr. Harris: Petition of Clearwater Grange No. 674 praying for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 726. By Mr. Harris: Petition from Clearwater Grange No. 674 to prevent appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 727. By Mr. Harris: Petition of Clearwater Grange No. 674 asking the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 728. By Mr. Harris: Remonstrance of Clearwater Grange No. 674 against repeal of the farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 729. By Mr. Donovan: Petition of 260 residents of Detroit, Port Huron, Fremont, Plymouth and Allendale in reference to the cigarette and curfew bills.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 730. By Mr. Donovan: Petition of the Fremont W. C. T. U., the Plymouth W. C. T. U., Epworth League, Christian Endeavor Society and B. Y. P. U. and the Allendale W. C. T. U. on the same subjects.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 731. By Mr. Vought: Petition of Monitor Grange No. 553 asking for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture College.

No. 732. By Mr. Vought: Petition of the same grange in favor of a bill to prevent appeal from justice courts in certain cases.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 733. By Mr. Vought: Petition of the same grange asking for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 734. By Mr. Vought: Remonstrance of the same grange against repeal of farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 735. By Mr. Vought: Petition of the same grange asking for the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 736. By Mr. E. W. Moore: Petition of Pennfield Grange No. 85, asking for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 737. By Mr. E. W. Moore: Petition of the same grange asking for traveling library appropriation

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 738. By Mr. E. W. Moore: Petition of the same grange in favor of a bill to prevent appeal from justice courts in certain cases.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 739. By Mr. E. W. Moore: Petition of the same grange asking for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 740. By Mr. Campbell: Petition of Union Grange of Washtenaw county in favor of farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 741. By Mr. Campbell: Petition of the same grange in favor of a bill to prevent appeal from justice courts in certain cases.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 742. By Mr. Campbell: Petition of the same grange asking for traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 743. By Mr. Campbell: Petition of the same grange asking for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 744. By Mr. Campbell: Petition of the same grange asking for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 745. By Mr. Campbell: Petition of the same grange asking the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 746. By Mr. M. F. Phillips: Petition of Mrs. H. Toucrey and 36 other members of the W. C. T. U. of Dowagiac, favoring the following bills: the cigarette bill, reformatory for women, police matrons, House bill No. 72, and "Curfew" bill. Against House bill No. 73 and the Teeple bill.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 747. By Mr. Coad: Petition of White Oak Grange No. 241 asking for the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 748. By Mr. Coad: Petition of the same Grange asking for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 749. By Mr. Coad: Petition of the same grange asking for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 750. By Mr. Coad: Remonstrance of the same grange against repeal of farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 751. By Mr. Coad: Petition of the same grange asking for the traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 752. By Mr. Coad: Petition of the same grange in favor of a farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 753. By Mr. Coad: Petition of the same grange in favor of a bill to prevent appeals from justice courts in certain cases.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 754. By Mr. Kimmis: Petition of Deerfield Farmers' Club asking for the passage of the county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 755. By Mr. Madill: Petition of Grange No. 678 asking for the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 756. By Mr. Madill: Petition of Grange No. 678 asking for the passage of anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 757. By Mr. Madill: Petition from Grange No. 678 asking for traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 758. By Mr. Madill: Petition of Grange No. 678 asking for the passage of the Kimmis county salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the Committee on Judiciary:

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred concurrent resolutions as follows:

Resolved by the House (the Senate concurring), That there shall be printed one edition of the "Michigan Manual;" and be it further

Resolved, That the Secretary of State be, and is hereby authorized and directed to cause to be published a sufficient number of the "Michigan Manual," including those provided for by law, to be distributed as follows:

For distribution to each member of the Senate.....100 copies

For distribution by each member of the House 60 copies

And a further number sufficient to supply one copy to each public school in the State not otherwise provided for;

And also the Senate substitute therefore, as follows:

Resolved by the House (the Senate concurring), That there shall be printed one edition of the "Michigan Manual;" and be it further

Resolved, That the Secretary of State be, and is hereby authorized and directed to cause to be published a sufficient number of the "Michigan Manual," including those provided for by law, to be distributed as follows:

For distribution by each member of the Senate.....75 copies

For distribution by each member of the House.....45 copies

And a further number sufficient to supply one copy to each public school in the State, not otherwise provided for, including district schools;

In the adoption of which resolution, as substituted, the Senate has concurred;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House with the accompanying substitute therefor:

Resolved by the House (the Senate concurring), That there shall be printed one edition of the "Michigan Manual;" and be it further

Resolved, That the Secretary of State be, and is hereby authorized and directed to cause to be published a sufficient number of the "Michigan Manual," including those provided for by law, to be distributed as follows:

For distribution by each member of the Senate.....	75 copies
For distribution by each member of the House.....	60 copies
For distribution by Clerk of House.....	50 copies
For distribution by Secretary of Senate.....	50 copies

And a further number sufficient to supply one copy to each public school in the State, not otherwise provided for, including district schools, and also one copy to each of the officers and employes of the House and Senate not otherwise provided for.

A. J. Sawyer,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Sawyer,

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by committee.

The resolution as amended by the substitute was then adopted.

By the committee on Insurance:

The committee on Insurance, to whom was referred

House bill No. 729, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. No. 6, 19, 23, 24 and 33 of act No. 50 of the public acts of 1887, as amended by act No. 269 of the public acts of 1895, being an act entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations generally known as building and loan associations," and by adding one new section thereto to be known as Sec. No. 34;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House and recommend that the bill be referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

W. R. Bates,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Bates,

The bill was referred as requested by the committee to the committee on Private Corporations.

By the committee on Insurance:

The committee on Insurance, to whom was referred

House bill No. 763, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 50 of the public acts of 1887, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations generally known as building and loan associations," by adding one new section thereto to be known as Sec. 34;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House and recommend that the bill be referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

W. R. Bates,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Bates,

The bill was referred as requested by the committee to the committee on Private Corporations.

By the committee on Industrial Home for Girls:

The committee on Industrial Home for Girls, to whom was referred House bill No. 526, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 4 of act No. 117 of the public acts of 1893, entitled "An act to provide for the control and management of the Industrial Home for Girls," and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict with the provisions of this act;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Wm. Peters,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Private Corporations:

The committee on Private Corporations, to whom was referred House bill No. 870, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 21, 39 and 52 of act No. 205 of the public acts of 1887, entitled "An act to revise the laws authorizing the business of banking, and to establish a banking department for the supervision of such business," approved June 21, 1887, the same being Secs. 3208c, 3208d7 and 3208f1 of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan, volume 3;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House with amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

M. G. Moore,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Otis,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Towns and Counties:

The committee on Towns and Counties, to whom was referred House bill No. 977, entitled

A bill to regulate and to determine the fees to be paid to coroners and justices of the peace for services rendered at inquests;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to report the same back to the House and recommend that the bill be referred to the committee on Judiciary.

T. M. Camburn,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Camburn,

The bill was referred as requested by the committee to the committee on Judiciary.

By the committee on Towns and Counties:

The committee on Towns and Counties, to whom was referred

House bill No. 286, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of an act, entitled "An act to authorize the board of supervisors of Bay county to fix the compensation to be paid members of committees of said board for committee work done by its order," being act No. 432 of the local acts of 1895;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

T. M. Camburn,

Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Private Corporations:

The committee on Private Corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 949, entitled

A bill to place persons owning or conducting private banks or receiving deposits under the supervision of, and providing for the inspection of their business by the Commissioner of the State Banking Department;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

M. G. Moore,

Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Towns and Counties:

The committee on Towns and Counties, to whom was referred

House bill No. 509, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 5, 9, 10, 11 and 13 of act No. 314, of local acts of the session laws of 1885, approved April 2, 1885, entitled "An act to incorporate the public schools of the township of Bangor, Bay county;"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

T. M. Camburn,

Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Towns and Counties:

The committee on Towns and Counties, to whom was referred House bill No. 198 (file No. 55), entitled

A bill providing for the payment of salaries to county officers and providing for the disposition of the fees received by such officers;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

T. M. Camburn,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Towns and Counties:

The committee on Towns and Counties, to whom was referred House bill No. 287, entitled

A bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Bay county to fix the compensation to be paid to the chairman of said board for services as chairman of said board;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

T. M. Camburn,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

The Speaker announced that the hour had arrived for the

SPECIAL ORDER,

Being the consideration of the following resolution reported by the special committee on the Baird-Kerr contest:

Resolved, That John Baird is entitled to a seat in the House of Representatives, from the second legislative district of Saginaw county, Michigan, the one now occupied by James Kerr.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

Mr. Gillam offered the following substitute for the resolution:

WHEREAS, From the reports and the testimony submitted to the House of Representatives by the special committee appointed by the House to investigate the alleged irregularities in the contested election case of Baird vs. Kerr, it appears that gross irregularities did exist in certain townships in the county of Saginaw comprised within the second representative district in said county, in which such election was held, and therefore no legal election was held in said district for Representative; therefore be it

Resolved, That it is the sense of the House of Representatives that the seat in this House now held by James Kerr should be and is hereby declared vacant.

The question being on agreeing to the substitute,
Mr. Chamberlain demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded and the substitute was agreed to, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Fleischhauer	Mr. Otis
Alward	Foster	Pearson
Anderson	Fuller	Peek
Atkinson	Gillam	Perry
Bates	Goodell	Peters
Bemis	Goodyear	Petrowsky
Billings	Graham	Phillips, C. C.
Bryan	Hammond	Putney
Buskirk	Harris	Reed
Caldwell	Herrig	Savage
Camburn	Hofmeister	Sawyer
Campbell	Jackson	Shepherd, F.
Chamberlain	Kimmis	Shisler
Clark	Lee	Smith
Connors	Lusk	Stewart
Crippen	Madill	Stoneman
Davis	Marsilje	Van Camp
Dickinson, J. H.	Mayer	Wetherbee
Dickinson, L. D.	Miller	Whitney
Dudley	Molster	Zimmerman
Edgar	Moore, E. W.	Speaker
Elkhoff	Moore, M. G.	

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NAYS.

Mr. Allison	Mr. Coad	Mr. Scully
Babcock, C. G.	Colvin	Tefft
Babcock, H.	Donovan	Vought
Bricker	Gibson	Washer
Cahoon	Niedermeier	Weiler
Clute	Phillips, M. F.	

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The resolution as amended by the substitute was then adopted.

Mr. Sawyer offered the following:

WHEREAS, A vacancy has been declared to exist in the second representative district of the county of Saginaw by the action of this House;

Resolved, That there be allowed to the contestant John Baird as the expenses of the contest \$325 and to the contestee, James Kerr, in lieu of all allowances the sum of \$325.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

Mr. Clute demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded.

Pending the call of the roll,

Mr. Davis moved to amend the resolution, by striking out the figures "\$325" where they occur in the resolution and inserting the figures "\$200."

Mr. Perry moved to amend the amendment by inserting "\$250" in lieu of the "\$200" proposed.

Which was accepted.

The motion to amend, as amended, did not then prevail.

Mr. C. G. Babcock moved to amend the resolution by striking out the figures "\$325" where they first occur in the resolution and inserting the figures "\$225" in lieu thereof.

On which motion,

Mr. C. G. Babcock demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded, and the motion to amend did not prevail, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Alward
Atkinson
Babcock, C. G.
Bryan
Buskirk
Cahoon
Campbell
Clark
Coad
Colvin
Dickinson, J. H.
Dickinson, L. D.

Mr. Eikhoff
Foster
Gibson
Gillam
Goodyear
Green
Jackson
Molster
Niedermeyer
Perry
Petrowsky

Mr. Scully
Shisler
Stewart
Stoneman
Tefft
Vought
Washer
Wetherbee
Whitney
Zimmerman
Speaker

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NAYS.

Mr. Adams
Anderson
Bates
Bemis
Billings
Caldwell
Camburn
Chamberlain
Clute
Connors
Crippen
Davis
Donovan
Dudley

Mr. Edgar
Fleischhauer
Fuller
Goodell
Graham
Hammond
Harris
Herrig
Hofmeister
Kimmis
Lee
Madill
Mayer
Miller

Mr. Moore, E. W.
Moore, M. G.
Otis
Pearson
Peek
Peters
Phillips, C. C.
Putney
Reed
Savage
Sawyer
Shepherd, J.
Smith
Van Camp

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The question then being on the adoption of the resolution,
The resolution was then adopted by yeas and nays as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams
Anderson
Atkinson
Bates
Bemis
Billings

Mr. Fuller
Gillam
Goodell
Goodyear
Graham
Hammond

Mr. Peek
Peters
Phillips, C. C.
Putney
Reed
Savage

Mr. Caldwell
Chamberlain
Clark
Connors
Dickinson, J. H.
Dudley
Edgar
Eikhoff
Fleischhauer
Foster

Mr. Harris
Herrig
Kinmis
Lee
Madill
Mayer
Molster
Moore, E. W.
Moore, M. G.
Pearson

Mr. Sawyer
Shepherd, F.
Shisler
Smith
Van Camp
Wetherbee
Whitney
Wing
Zimmerman
Speaker

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NAYS.

Mr. Allison
Alward
Babcock, C. G.
Bricker
Bryan
Buskirk
Cahoon
Camburn
Campbell
Clute
Colvin

Mr. Crippen
Davis
Dickinson, L. D.
Donovan
Gibson
Green
Hofmeister
Jackson
Marsilje
Miller
Niedermeyer

Mr. Otis
Perry
Petrowsky
Phillips, M. F.
Scully
Stewart
Stoneman
Tefft
Vought
Washer.
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Mr. Bates offered the following:

WHEREAS, It has been the deliberate judgment of a majority of this House that the seat heretofore occupied by James Kerr be declared vacant on account of certain irregularities in the election of November, 1896, in the second district of Saginaw county; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Kerr has not been found personally guilty of any fraud or any personal violation of the law; therefore

Resolved, That in unseating Mr. Kerr, we, the members of this House, desire to express towards him our personal respect and personal regard; Which was adopted by an unanimous rising vote.

Mr. Chamberlain offered the following:

WHEREAS, The action of the House this day had has declared a vacancy to exist in the second district of Saginaw county in the office of Representative in this body;

Resolved, That the Clerk of the House be instructed to notify the Governor of the vacancy so created, and request that an order do issue for the holding of a special election in the said second district of Saginaw county for the filling of the vacancy which now exists, with the suggestion that a proper date for the holding of such special election would be the date of the annual township meeting;

Which was adopted.

The House resumed the order of

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on Local Taxation:

The committee on Local Taxation, to whom was referred

House bill No. 865, entitled

A bill to legalize the taxes assessed in the city of North Muskegon for the years 1895 and 1896;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

J. N. Clark,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Clark,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Dudley	Mr. Otis
Allison	Eikhoff	Pearson
Alward	Fleischhauer	Peek
Anderson	Foster	Perry
Atkinson	Gibson	Petrowsky
Babcock, C. G.	Gillam	Phillips, C. C.
Bates	Goodell	Phillips, M. F.
Belknap	Goodyear	Putney
Bemis	Graham	Reed
Billings	Green	Scully
Bricker	Hammond	Shepherd, F.
Buskirk	Harris	Shisler
Caboon	Herrig	Smith
Caldwell	Hofmeister	Stewart
Campbell	Kimmis	Tefft
Chamberlain	Lee	Van Camp
Clark	Lusk	Vought
Coad	Madill	Washer
Colvin	Marsilje	Weier
Connors	Mayer	Wetherbee
Crippen	Miller	Whitney
Davis	Moore, E. W.	Wing
Dickinson, J. H.	Moore, M. G.	Zimmerman
Donovan	Niedermeier	Speaker

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Whitney,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

By the committee on State Affairs:

The committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 508, entitled

A bill to prohibit the opening or keeping open of the photographic galleries or studios on the first day of the week, commonly called Sun-

day, for the purpose of the carrying on, or engaging in the art or calling of photography, or in any other work pertaining to the art or calling of a photographer on said first day of the week, commonly called Sunday;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House with amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Henry Lee,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Lee,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Education:

The committee on Education, to whom was referred

House bill No. 1044, entitled

A bill to allow the board of education of the township of Burt, in Alger county, to bond the township for school purposes;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. Bemis,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Fuller,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Donovan	Mr. Molster
Allison	Dudley	Moore, E. W.
Alward	Edgar	Moore, M. G.
Anderson	Eikhoff	Niedermeier
Babcock, C. G.	Fleischhauer	Otis
Babcock, H.	Fuller	Pearson
Bates	Gibson	Peek
Belknap	Gillam	Perry
Bemis	Goodell	Petrowsky
Billings	Goodyear	Phillips, C. C.
Bryan	Graham	Putney
Buskirk	Green	Reed
Cahoon	Hammond	Sawyer
Caldwell	Harris	Scully
Camburn	Herrig	Shepherd, F.
Campbell	Hofmeister	Shisler

Mr. Chamberlain	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Smith
Clark	Kimmiss	Tefft
Clute	Lee	Weier
Coad	Lusk	Wetherbee
Colvin	Madill	Whitney
Connors	Marsilje	Wing
Crippen	Mayer	Zimmerman
Davis	Miller	Speaker
Dickinson, J. H.		

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Fuller,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

By the committee on Education:

The committee on Education, to whom was referred

House bill No. 521, entitled

A bill to consolidate fractional school district No. 5 of the townships of Yates and Cherry Valley, in Lake county, and school district No. 1 of Cherry Valley township;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. Bemis,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Fleischhauer,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Dickinson, J. H.	Mr. Moore, E. W.
Allison	Dickinson, L. D.	Moore, M. G.
Alward	Donovan	Niedermeier
Anderson	Eikhoff	Otis
Babcock, C. G.	Fleischhauer	Pearson
Babcock, H.	Fuller	Peek
Belknap	Gibson	Perry
Bemis	Gillam	Phillips, C. C.
Billings	Goodell	Putney
Bryan	Goodyear	Reed
Buskirk	Graham	Sawyer
Cahoon	Hammond	Scully
Caldwell	Harris	Shepherd, F.
Camburn	Herrig	Shisler
Campbell	Kimmiss	Smith
Chamberlain	Lee	Van Camp
Clark	Lusk	Weier

Mr. Clute
Coad
Colvin
Connors
Crippen
Davis

Mr. Madill
Marsilje
Mayer
Miller
Molster

Mr. Wetherbee
Whitney
Wing
Zimmerman
Speaker

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Fleischhauer,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

By the committee on Education:

The committee on Education, to whom was referred

House bill No. 758, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 56 of the session laws of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for the purchase and display of United States flags in connection with the public school buildings within this State," approved April 4, 1895, and to add a new section to said act to stand as Sec. 2;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. Bemis,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Fuller,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Towns and Counties:

The committee on Towns and Counties, to whom was referred

House bill No. 978, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the township of Negaunee, in Marquette county, and attach the same to the township of Richmond in said county;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

T. M. Camburn,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Billings,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Donovan	Mr. Niedermeier
Allison	Dudley	Otis
Alward	Edgar	Pearson
Anderson	Eikhoff	Peek
Atkinson	Fleischhauer	Perry
Babcock, C. G.	Fuller	Peters
Babcock, H.	Gibson	Petrowsky
Bates	Gillam	Phillips, C. C.
Belknap	Goodell	Phillips, M. F.
Bemis	Goodyear	Putney
Billings	Graham	Savage
Bricker	Green	Sawyer
Bryan	Hammond	Scully
Buskirk	Harris	Shepherd, F.
Cahoon	Hofmeister	Shisler
Caldwell	Jackson	Smith
Camburn	Kimmis	Tefft
Campbell	Lee	Van Camp
Chamberlain	Lusk	Vought
Clark	Madill	Washer
Coad	Marsilje	Weier
Colvin	Miller	Whitney
Connors	Molster	Wing
Crippen	Moore, E. W.	Zimmerman
Davis	Moore, M. G.	Speaker
Dickinson, J. H.		

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Billings,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

By the committee on Public Health:

The committee on Public Health, to whom was referred

House bill No. 238, entitled

A bill to prohibit the use of second-hand packages of articles of food;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

W. R. Edgar,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Public Health:

The committee on Public Health, to whom was referred

House bill No. 166, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 1 and 2 of act No. 186 of the public acts of 1867, as amended by act No. 113 of the public acts of 1871, as amended by act 138 of the public acts of 1875, as amended by act No. 83 of the public acts of 1885, as amended by act 267 of the public acts of 1895, being an act entitled "An act to authorize dissection in certain cases, for the advancement of science;"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

W. R. Edgar,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Public Health:

The committee on Public Health, to whom was referred
House bill No. 396, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 9584 of Howell's statutes of Michigan relative to view of dead bodies;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

W. R. Edgar,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Public Health:

The committee on Public Health, to whom was referred
Senate bill No. 54, entitled

A bill to authorize the boards of health of the townships of Bear Creek and Resort, in Emmett county, to convey certain real estate to the Greenwood cemetery board;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

W. R. Edgar,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. F. Shepherd,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therfor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Donovan	Mr. Pearson
Allison	Dudley	Perry
Alward	Edgar	Peters
Anderson	Eikhoff	Petrowsky
Atkinson	Fleischhauer	Phillips, C. C.
Babcock, C. G.	Foster	Phillips, M. F.
Babcock, H.	Fuller	Putney
Belknap	Gibson	Reed
Bemis	Gillam	Savage
Billings	Goodell	Sawyer
Bricker	Goodyear	Scully
Bryan	Graham	Shepherd, F.
Buskirk	Green	Shisler
Cahoon	Hammond	Smith
Camburn	Herrig	Tefft
Campbell	Hofmeister	Van Camp
Chamberlain	Jackson	Vought
Clark	Lee	Washer
Clute	Lusk	Weier
Coad	Madill	Wetherbee
Colvin	Marsilje	Whitney
Connors	Mayer	Wing
Crippen	Miller	Zimmerman
Dickinson, J. H.	Moore, E. W.	Speaker
Dickinson, L. D.	Niedermeier	

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. F. Shepherd,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

By the committee on Public Health:

The committee on Public Health, to whom was referred

House bill No. 472, entitled

A bill to prevent the pollution of the water in all lakes and streams, and of the water of all feeders to such lakes and streams within the State of Michigan, used as a source of water supply for domestic purposes;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

W. B. Edgar,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Edgar,

The request was granted, and the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee.

By the committee on Public Lands:

The committee on Public Lands, to whom was referred

House bill No. 498, entitled

A bill authorizing the Commissioner of the State Land Office to have trespass agents adjust and collect all trespasses committed upon State tax lands;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. W. Mayer,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Public Lands:

The committee on Public Lands, to whom was referred

House joint resolution No. 20, entitled

Joint resolution authorizing the cancelation of primary school land patent covering south fractional half of southeast quarter of Sec. 16, town 43 north, range 4 west (S. frl. one-half of S. E. one-quarter, Sec. 16, T. 43 N., R. 4 W.) for southeast quarter of southwest quarter, Sec. 16, town 43 north, range 4 west (S. E. one-quarter of S. W. one-quarter of Sec. 16, T. 43 N., R. 4 W.);

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. W. Mayer,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Liquor Traffic:

The committee on Liquor Traffic, to whom was referred

House bill No. 1083, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 93 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 313 of the public acts of 1887, entitled 'An act to provide for the taxation and regulation of the business of manufacturing, selling, keeping for sale, furnishing, giving or delivering spirituous and intoxicating liquors, and malt, brewed, or fermented liquors, and vinous liquors in this State, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act,'" and to amend Sec. 17 of act No. 313 of the public acts of 1887, and to repeal all acts or parts of acts in contravention of this act;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

E. W. Moore,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Moore,

The request was granted, and the bill ordered printed for the use of the committee.

By the committee on Public Lands:

The committee on Public Lands, to whom was referred

House joint resolution No. 26, entitled

Joint resolution authorizing the Commissioner of the State Land Office to revive part paid primary school land certificate No. 9976, issued to Edgar O. Whitman, of Newaygo county, June 10, 1869, and authorizing the Commissioner of the State Land Office to issue a duplicate certificate to said Edgar O. Whitman, numbered 9976;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. W. Mayer,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Dudley,

The joint resolution was laid on the table.

By the committee on Roads and Bridges:

The committee on Roads and Bridges, to whom was referred

House bill No. 398, entitled

A bill to provide for the construction of a bridge across Grand river in the township of Plainfield, in the county of Kent, and for the raising of funds to defray the cost and expense thereof;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Frank Shepherd,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Graham,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams

Allison

Anderson

Atkinson

Babcock, C. G.

Babcock, H.

Bates

Belknap

Bemis

Mr. Donovan

Dudley

Fleischhauer

Foster

Fuller

Gibson

Gillam

Goodell

Goodyear

Mr. Pearson

Peek

Perry

Petrowsky

Phillips, C. C.

Phillips, M. F.

Putney

Reed

Savage

Mr. Billings	Mr. Graham	Mr. Sawyer
Bricker	Green	Scully
Buskirk	Hammond	Shisler
Caldwell	Herrig	Smith
Camburn	Hofmeister	Tefft
Campbell	Jackson	Van Camp
Chamberlain	Lusk	Vought
Clark	Madill	Washer
Clute	Marsilje	Wetherbee
Coad	Mayer	Whitney
Colvin	Miller	Wing
Connors	Molster	Zimmerman
Crippen	Niedermeier	Speaker
Dickinson, L. D.		

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Graham,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

By the committee on Roads and Bridges:

The committee on Roads and Bridges, to whom was referred

House bill No. 125, entitled

A bill to provide for the construction of a bridge across the Grand river in the township of Ada, in the county of Kent, and for the raising of funds to defray the cost and expense thereof;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying substitute therefor, entitled

A bill to provide for the construction of a bridge across the Grand river, in the township of Ada, in the county of Kent, and for the raising of funds to defray the cost and expense thereof;

Recommending that the substitute be concurred in, and that the substitute do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Frank Shepherd,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Shisler,

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by committee.

On motion of Mr. Shisler,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Dudley	Mr. Peters
Allison	Edgar	Petrowsky
Alward	Fleischhauer	Phillips, C. C.
Anderson	Foster	Phillips, M. F.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Fuller	M
Babcock, C. G.	Gibson	
Belknap	Gillam	
Bemis	Goodell	
Billings	Graham	
Bryan	Green	
Buskirk	Hammond	
Cahoon	Hofmeister	
Caldwell	Jackson	
Campbell	Madill	
Chamberlain	Marsilje	
Clark	Mayer	
Clute	Miller	
Coad	Moore, E. W.	
Colvin	Moore, M. G.	
Connors	Niedemeier	
Dickinson, J. H.	Pearson	
Dickinson, L. D.	Peek	
Donovan	Perry	

NAYS.

Mr. Babcock, H.

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Shisler,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect to take immediate effect.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly presented to the Governor,

House bill No. 121 (file No. 19), entitled

An act to amend Sec. 6 of act 187 of the session of June 17, 1887, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of co-operative and mutual benefit associations, to regulate the powers and duties and regulate the transactions of such corporations and associations doing business, and to add two new sections thereto to stand as Sections 1 and 2 of act 187 of the session of June 17, 1887,

For which your committee hold the receipt of dated March 3, 1897, at 5:08 o'clock p. m.

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Report accepted.

By the committee on Judiciary:

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 576, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of Chap. 240 of the compilation amended by act No. 286 of the public acts of 1881, and act No. 9052 of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan, relative to the fees of justices of the peace, constables and sheriffs,

Respectfully report that they have had the same read and have directed me to report the same back to the

ments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. J. Sawyer,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Hammond,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Judiciary:

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 301, entitled

A bill to legalize and give full effect to a conveyance of certain land made by the Board of Control of the Michigan Mining School to Florence E. Hubbell;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. J. Sawyer,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER.
Lansing, March 4, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following concurrent resolution:

WHEREAS, A very large majority of the people of this government, irrespective of political affiliations, are rejoiced that Hon. William McKinley has been this day duly inaugurated President of the United States and hope his administration so auspiciously begun will result in the increased happiness and prosperity of the whole American people; therefore

Resolved by the Senate (the House concurring), That the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House be requested to telegraph the President a message of congratulation and greeting on behalf of the legislature of the State of Michigan;

Which has been adopted by the Senate and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The question being on concurring in the adoption
The resolution was adopted by a unanimous rising
The Speaker also announced the following:

SEN.
Lansing

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:
Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return
following concurrent resolution:

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That a committee
of the Senate and three members of the House
investigate the merits of the different voting machines
before the legislature the advisability or inadvisability of adopting
a voting machine to be used at elections to be held in

In the adoption of which the Senate has concurred

Very respectfully,
Charles
Secretary

The message was ordered spread on the Journal.
The Speaker also announced the following:

SEN.
Lansing

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the
following joint resolution:

Senate joint resolution No. 7 (file No. 36), entitled
Joint resolution proposing an amendment to the
constitution of this State relative to the time for the
election into the legislature;

Which has passed the Senate by a vote of two-thirds
and in which the concurrence of the House is required

Very respectfully,
Charles
Secretary

The joint resolution was read a first and second time
referred to the committee on Judiciary.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SEN.
Lansing

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the
House the following bill:

House bill No. 754, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the union
township of Owosso and attach the same to fractional sections
of the townships of Owosso and Caledonia;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 4, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 156, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the village of East Grand Rapids, in Kent county;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and, pending its reference to a committee,

On motion of Mr. Graham,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

YEAS.

Mr. Adams

Allison
Anderson
Atkinson
Babcock, C. G.
Babcock, H.
Belknap
Bemis
Bricker
Bryan
Buskirk
Caldwell
Campbell
Chamberlain
Clark
Clute
Coad
Connors

Mr. Donovan

Edgar
Eikhoff
Fleischhauer
Fuller
Gibson
Gillam
Goodell
Goodyear
Graham
Hammond
Herrig
Jackson
Lee
Marsilje
Miller
Moore, E. W.
Moore, M. G.

Mr. Perry

Peters
Phillips, C. C.
Putney
Reed
Savage
Sawyer
Scully
Shepherd, F.
Shisler
Smith
Stewart
Stoneman
Tefft
Van Camp
Vought
Weier
Wetherbee

Mr. Crippen

Dickinson, J. H.

Dickinson, L. D.

Mr. Niedermeier

Pearson

Peek

Mr.

NAYS.

Title agreed to.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE
Lansing,

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to
following bill:

Senate bill No. 305 (file No. 37), entitled

A bill to require all toll roads to construct, reco
maintain their roads in good repair and of the same
same manner as required by their charters and to p
toll road commissioners to enforce the same and to
and duties;Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote
elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is re

Very respect

Charles

Secretary

The bill was read a first and second time by its title
committee on Private Corporations.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE
Lansing,

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to
following bill:

House bill No. 159 (file No. 28), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of Chap. 67 of the compiled law
“The destruction of wolves and other noxious anim
being Chap. 70 of Howell’s statutes, and to add a new
stand as Sec. 14 of said chapter;And to inform the House that the Senate has ame
follows:1. By striking out of line 2 of Sec. 1 the words “b
of this State.”2. By striking out of line 1 of Sec. 14 the words “b
of this State.”3. By striking out of lines 3 and 4 of Sec. 14 the
inhabitant of this State.”In the passage of which, as thus amended, the Senate
a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote o
the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immed

Very respectfully,

Charles
Secretary

The question being on concurring in the amendment made by the Senate to the bill,

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain,

The bill was laid on the table.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 3, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 122 (file No. 35), entitled

A bill making it unlawful for prosecuting attorneys to defend or assist in the defense of any person charged with crime within their respective counties;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was then referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 3, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 186 (file No. 49), entitled

A bill to provide for the commencement and maintaining of actions by and against unincorporated voluntary associations, clubs and societies and for the service of process in such cases;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was then referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 3, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 81 (file No. 29), entitled

A bill to amend act No. 161 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to require county treasurers to furnish transcripts and abstracts of records and fixing the fees to be paid therefor:"

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was then referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 3, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 137 (file No. 37), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 3 of act No. 156 of the session laws of 1851, entitled "An act to define the powers and duties of the boards of supervisors of the several counties and to confer upon them certain local administrative and legislative powers," the same being Sec. 475 of Howell's annotated statutes;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was then referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 3, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 86 (file No. 12), entitled

A bill to provide for the service of notices, writs or other process upon common councils, boards, commissions or other public bodies in suits or other judicial proceedings;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was then referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 3, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 132 (file No. 47), entitled

A bill to change the name of the township of Pine Plains in the county of Allegan to Valley township;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was then referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 3, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 10 (file No. 25), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1 of act 111 of the session laws of 1869, entitled "An act to prevent the destruction of muskrats and muskrat houses in the marshes along the shores of Lakes Erie, St. Clair, Huron and Michigan," being Sec. 2216 of Howell's annotated statutes, and to repeal all acts inconsistent therewith;

And to inform the House that the Senate has amended the same as follows:

1. By striking out of line 5 of Sec. 1 the word "March" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "April."

2. By striking out of line 3 of Sec. 1 the word "St. Clair" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "Lake St. Clair."

3. By striking out of lines 6 and 7 of Sec. 1 the words "under a penalty of \$3 for each muskrat so killed, taken or destroyed in violation of this act," and to insert instead "any person violating the provisions of this act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof may be punished by a fine not to exceed \$5 for each offense, and in default of payment thereof by imprisonment in the county jail not to exceed 10 days, or both such fine and imprisonment, in the discretion of the court;"

In the passage of which, as thus amended, the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The question being on concurring in the amendment to the bill,

On motion of Mr. Weier,

The House concurred, a majority of all the members present,
for, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Dudley	M
Allison	Elkhoff	
Alward	Fleischhauer	
Anderson	Fuller	
Atkinson	Gibson	
Babcock, C. G.	Gillam	
Babcock, H.	Goodell	
Belknap	Goodyear	
Bemis	Graham	
Billings	Hammond	
Bricker	Herrig	
Bryan	Hofmeister	
Buskirk	Jackson	
Caldwell	Lee	
Camburn	Lusk	
Campbell	Marsilje	
Chamberlain	Mayer	
Clute	Miller	
Coad	Molster	
Connors	Moore, E. W.	
Crippen	Moore, M. G.	
Dickinson, J. H.	Niedermeyer	
Dickinson, L. D.	Pearson	
Donovan	Peek	

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The bill was referred to the committee on Enrolled Bills, and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

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To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the bill:

House bill No. 63 (file No. 21), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 364, Chap. 10, of the compilation of the several acts amendatory thereof, relative to the same being Sec. 502 of Howell's annotated statutes of Michigan;

And inform the House that the Senate has amended the bill as follows:

1. By inserting in line 5 of Sec. 502 after the words "in any county of the upper peninsula."

2. By inserting in line 5 of Sec. 502 after the word "meeting" [provided that no supervisor shall be allowed pay for more than one day for each twenty-four hours that the board of supervisors shall be in session].

In the passage of which, as thus amended, the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,

Secretary of the Senate.

The question being on concurring in the amendment made by the Senate to the bill,

On motion of Mr. Fuller,

The House concurred, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Eikhoff	Mr. Perry
Allison	Fleischhauer	Peters
Anderson	Fuller	Petrowsky
Atkinson	Gibson	Phillips, C. C.
Babcock, H.	Gillam	Putney
Bemis	Goodell	Reed
Billings	Goodyear	Savage
Bricker	Graham	Sawyer
Buskirk	Hammond	Scully
Caldwell	Herrig	Smith
Campbell	Jackson	Stewart
Chamberlain	Lee	Tefft
Colvin	Lusk	Vought
Connors	Madill	Weier
Crippen	Mayer	Wetherbee
Dickinson, J. H.	Miller	Whitney
Dickinson, L. D.	Moore, E. W.	Wing
Donovan	Niedermeyer	Zimmerman
Dudley	Peek	Speaker
Edgar		

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Mr. Alward	Mr. Clute	Mr. Shisler
Belknap	Marsilje	Washer
Cahoon		

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The bill was then referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER.

Lansing, March 3, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 13 (file No. 1), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 38 of act No. 44 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to prescribe the manner of conducting and to prevent fraud and deception at elections in this State;"

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 3, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 71 (file No. 9), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 33 of Chap. 108, of the revised statutes of 1846, relative to the action of ejectment, the same being compiler's Sec. 7819, Howell's annotated statutes;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 3, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 171 (file No. 50), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 34 of Chap. 102 of the revised statutes of 1846, being compiler's Sec. 7449, Howell's annotated statutes, relative to authentication of records and other judicial proceedings in courts of foreign countries;

And to inform the House that the Senate has amended the same as follows:

2. By striking out of line 1 of Sec. 34 the letter "a" between "in" and "foreign."

3. By inserting in line 1 of Sec. 34, after the word "in," the words "the several states and territories of the United States and in any;"

In the passage of which, as thus amended, the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The question being on concurring in the amendment made by the Senate to the bill,

The House concurred, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Allison	Mr. Dickinson, L. D.	Mr. Perry
Allison	Dudley	Peters
Alward	Edgar	Petrowsky
Anderson	Eikhoff	Phillips, C. C.
Atkinson	Fleischhauer	Putney
Babcock, C. G.	Gibson	Reed
Babcock, H.	Gillam	Savage
Belknap	Goodell	Sawyer
Bemis	Graham	Scully
Billings	Hammond	Shisler
Bricker	Herrig	Smith
Cahoon	Hofmeister	Stewart
Caldwell	Jackson	Tefft
Camburn	Lee	Van Camp
Campbell	Lusk	Vought
Chamberlain	Madill	Washer.
Clute	Marsilje	Weier
Coad	Mayer	Wetherbee
Colvin	Miller	Whitney
Connors	Molster	Wing
Crippen	Pearson	Zimmerman
Dickinson, J. H.	Peek	Speaker

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The bill was then referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 3, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 178 (file No. 26), entitled

A bill to allow the spearing of fish;

And to inform the House that the Senate has amended the same, as follows:

1. By inserting in line 4 of Sec. 1, after the word "rainbow trout, German or brown trout, grayling,

2. By inserting after the word "lake" in line "Provided, That all waters, lakes and streams in the river in the counties of Clinton and Gratiot, wh from spearing by any local act of the legislature exempt from the provisions of this act;"

In the passage of which, as thus amended, the by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and t of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to

Very respectfully,

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The question being on concurring in the amendr ate to the bill,

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain,

The bill was laid on the table.

The Speaker also announced the following:

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To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to th bill:

House bill No. 70 (file No. 8), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 27, of Chap. 123, of the rev relative to the proceedings to recover the possess cases, the same being compiler's Sec. 8309, of Ho utes, as amended by act No. 199, of the laws of 18

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred l all the Senators elect.

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The bill was referred to the committee on Enrol and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

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To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit lowing bill:

Senate bill No. 423 (file No. 38), entitled

A bill to repeal Sec. 2559 of the compiled laws o act to provide that plank road companies shall file t ing with the Secretary of State to any amendment t being compiler's Sec. 3593 of Howell's annotated st

Mr. Campbell
Chamberlain
Clute
Coad
Colvin
Connors
Crippen
Davis
Dickinson, J. H.

Mr. Jackson
Lee
Lusk
Madill
Marsilje
Mayer
Miller
Molster
Moore, E. W.

Mr. Van Camp
Vought
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Zimmerman
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Title agreed to.

Mr. Atkinson offered the following:

Resolved, That unless there is some special urgency the rules ought not to be suspended so as to interfere with the regular order of business.

Mr. Chamberlain moved to amend the resolution by adding at the end the words "Provided, This shall not apply to bills of a local nature;"

Which motion prevailed.

The resolution as amended was then adopted.

Mr. Campbell moved to reconsider the vote by which the House refused to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, The bill now before the committee on Towns and Counties calling for the disorganization of Lake county and to attach the same to adjoining counties, has assumed such shape that in order to get at the true situation that said committee may act intelligently, said committee are desirous of visiting this locality and proceed to satisfy themselves; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Committee on Towns and Counties be hereby authorized to visit such county or counties and make such investigations as they may deem best. The same rule as to expenses to apply to this committee as has been adopted.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

Mr. Perry moved to amend the resolution by inserting, after the word "counties," in the third line of resolution as printed on page 561 of the Journal, "and propositions for the disorganization of certain townships in said county of Lake;"

Which motion prevailed,

The question being on the adoption of the resolution as amended, The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Zimmerman moved to take from the table,

House bill No. 178 (file No. 26), entitled

A bill to allow the spearing of fish;

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on concurring in the amendment made by the Senate to the bill,

On motion of Mr. Zimmerman,

The House concurred, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams
Allison

Mr. Donovan
Dudley

Mr. Peason
Peek

Mr. Campbell
Chamberlain
Clute
Coad
Colvin
Connors
Crippen
Davis
Dickinson, J. H.

Mr. Jackson
Lee
Lusk
Madill
Marsilje
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Miller
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Moore, E. W.

Mr. Van Camp
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Mr. Adams
Allison

Mr. Donovan
Dudley

Mr. Peason
Peek

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Anderson	Fleischhauer	Peters
Atkinson	Gibson	Petrowsky
Babcock, C. G.	Gillam	Phillips, C. C.
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Belknap	Goodyear	Reed
Bemis	Graham	Savage
Billings	Green	Sawyer
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Caldwell	Jackson	Stewart
Camburn	Lee	Tefft
Campbell	Lusk	Vought
Chamberlain	Madill	Washer
Clark	Marsilje	Weier
Clute	Mayer	Wetherbee
Coad	Miller	Whitney
Connors	Molster	Wing
Crippen	Moore, E. W.	Zimmerman
Dickinson, J. H.	Moore, M. G.	Speaker
Dickinson, L. D.	Niedermeler	

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The bill was then referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment, and presentation to the Governor.

QUESTION OF PRIVILEGE.

Mr. Chamberlain arose in his place and spoke as follows:

Mr. Speaker—I am informed that a gentleman from the city of Ironwood recently visited the Capitol and stated that I had “railroaded” the Ironwood charter bill through the House and Senate and that the people in general of the city of Ironwood knew little or nothing about and would not approve of the provisions of the measure. I stated to the House and Senate committees, and also to the House when the bill was under consideration upon its third reading, that numerous public meetings had been held in the city of Ironwood to consider the merits of the bill, and that the general public and the city council were unanimous in endorsing it. As the statement of the gentleman alluded to has caused considerable comment among legislative members, in justice to the members of the council and other people of the city of Ironwood as well as myself, I offer the following statement concerning the matter, and ask that the same may be read and spread on the Journal as a part of my protest and defense.

The following is the statement referred to:

Ironwood, Mich., March 1, 1897.

This is to certify that the proposed charter of the City of Ironwood, recently passed by the legislature of the State and sent to the Governor

for his action, was finally adopted by the common council at a regular meeting held February 11, and was read and discussed at two meetings of the council, held on February 9 and 11.

That the said meetings were open to the public and that all citizens were invited to attend and take part in the discussions.

That numerous citizens were so present and participated in said discussion and that the charter was passed without any opposition from any one. The said charter was compiled by a committee of six citizens appointed by the mayor upon the authorization of the common council.

The said committee consisted of Alderman C. E. Houk, druggist; Alderman D. E. Sutherland, mining superintendent; Alderman Con. Geary, Merchant; Mr. J. R. Thompson, superintendent of Newport mine; Mr. J. S. Monroe, attorney, and Walter S. Goodland, attorney. That the said committee were over three weeks in compiling said charter, and that they were unanimous in recommending its adoption.

We also certify that notice that said committee was compiling the said charter was published in both the local papers, that in the issues of said papers for week of January 30, they contained articles giving an analysis of the proposed provisions in the said charter, and in the issues of February 13 they contained the published proceedings of the meetings of the common council at which said charter was passed.

We also certify that knowledge that the said charter was being compiled was general on the part of our citizens that a very large majority of the citizens and leading taxpayers desire that it become a law; that its provisions are entirely satisfactory to a very large majority of the citizens of Ironwood, and that there is practically a unanimous desire for its passage. It is a measure of economy and will save a considerable sum annually to the taxpayers of the city and that the financial condition of the city is such, that it is very desirable that the new charter become a law.

Wm. Trebilcock,
Mayor.

Chris. P. Lee,
Clerk.

On motion of Mr. Savage,

Leave of absence was granted to himself for tomorrow.

On motion of Mr. Peek,

Leave of absence was granted to himself for tomorrow.

On motion of Mr. Clute,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Powers until Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Graham,

Leave of absence was granted to himself for tomorrow.

On motion of Mr. C. G. Babcock,

Leave of absence was granted to himself for tomorrow.

On motion of Mr. F. Shepherd,

Leave of absence was granted to himself for tomorrow.

Mr. Lusk moved that the House adjourn until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning;

Which motion prevailed.

LIST OF MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE, WITH THEIR LANSING ADDRESSES.

In accordance with the resolution of the House of February 26:

Mr. Adams,	219 Capitol Avenue South.
Allison,	106 Chestnut South.
Alward,	Van Dyne House.
Anderson,	214 Washtenaw West.
Atkinson,	314 Lenawee west.
Babcock, C. G.,	Van Dyne House.
Babcock, H.,	New Grand Hotel.
Bates,	302 Townsend.
Belknap,	203 Shiawassee.
Bemis,	235 Washington Avenue South.
Billings,	212 Ionia West.
Bricker,	210 Capitol Avenue South.
Bryan,	219 Capitol Avenue South.
Buskirk,	110 Kalamazoo East.
Cahoon,	Van Dyne House.
Caldwell,	304 Grand South.
Camburn,	511 Ottawa West.
Campbell,	416 Walnut South.
Chamberlain,	219 Capitol Avenue South.
Clark,	204 Capitol Avenue South.
Clute,	Van Dyne House.
Coad,	204 Capitol Avenue South.
Colvin,	Van Dyne House.
Connors,	416 Walnut South.
Cousins,	New Grand Hotel.
Crippen,	312 Townsend.
Davis,	301 Allegan West.
Dickinson, J. H.,	210 Ionia West.
Dickinson, L. D.,	302 Townsend
Donovan,	401 Washington Avenue South.
Dudley,	217 Seymour.
Edgar,	222 Washington Avenue South.
Eikhoff,	515 Michigan Avenue West.
Fleischhauer,	110 Kalamazoo East.
Foote,	313 Allegan West.
Foster,	311 Allegan West.
Fuller,	318 Ottawa West.
Gibson,	108 Washington Avenue South.
Gillam,	Warwick House.
Goodell,	219 Capitol Avenue South.
Goodyear,	216 Capitol Avenue South.
Gordon,	315 Capitol Avenue South.
Graham,	318 Ottawa West.
Green,	408 Allegan West.
Gustin,	301 Allegan West.
Hammond,	216 Capitol Avenue South.

Mr. Harris, New Grand Hotel.
 Herrig, 220 Capitol Avenue South.
 Hofmeister, 212 Capitol Avenue South.
 Jackson, 412 Walnut South.
 January, 206 Washington Avenue South.
 Kelly, 323 Grand Street South.
 Kimmis, 505 Washington Avenue South.
 Lee, 314 Ottawa West.
 Lusk, 311 Allegan West.
 Madill, 314 Ottawa West.
 Marsilje, 212 Washtenaw West.
 Mayer, Holt, Ingham County.
 McGill, 214 Washtenaw.
 Miller, 312 Townsend.
 Molster, 217 Grand South.
 Moore, E. W., 513 Ottawa West.
 Moore, M. G., Hudson House.
 Niedermeier, Eichele House.
 Oberdorffer, 211 Ionia West.
 O'Dett, Van Dyne House.
 Otis, 110 Sycamore South.
 Pearson, 305 Larch South.
 Perry, Van Dyne House.
 Peek, Porter Block.
 Peters, Ingham Hotel.
 Petrowsky, 217 Grand South.
 Phillips, C. C., 409 Washington Avenue South.
 Phillips, M. F., 314 Chestnut North.
 Powers, 208 Capitol Avenue South.
 Putney, Van Dyne House.
 Reed, 218 Capitol Avenue South.
 Rowley, Mt. Clemens, Mich.
 Rulison, 617 Allegan West.
 Savage, 408 Washington Avenue South.
 Sawyer, 412 Grand South.
 Scully, Ionia.
 Shepard, F. M., 210 Ionia West.
 Shepherd, F., 516 Allegan West.
 Shisler, Van Dyne House.
 Smith, 102 Walnut South.
 Stewart, 112 Allegan West.
 Stoneman, 220 Capitol Avenue South.
 Tefft, 412 Pine South.
 VanCamp, 407 Washington South.
 Vought, 120 Hosmer South.
 Washer, Eichele House.
 Weier, Eichele House.
 Wetherbee, 112 Allegan West.
 Whitney, Van Dyne House.
 Wldoe, 203 Shiawassee West.
 Wing, Van Dyne House.
 Zimmerman, 412 Grand South.

Lansing, Friday, March 5, 1897.

The House met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Miller.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. Atkinson, Bates and Stoneman.

On motion of Mr. Foster,

Leave of absence was granted to all absentees for the day.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 759. By mail to the clerk: Remonstrance of Leelanau county bar against the passage of the bill introduced by Representative Foster requiring the stenographer of the 13th judicial circuit to reside in the district.

Referred to the committee on Revision of Statutes.

No. 760. By Mr. Chamberlain: Memorial from 716 officers of the Michigan W. C. T. U. asking the passage of the bill prohibiting the manufacture and sale of cigarettes within this State.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 761. By Mr. L. D. Dickinson: Petition from Contributor's Club, Charlotte, for women physicians in asylums.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 762. By Mr. Fleischhauer: Petition of C. I. Bellamy and 156 others of Ellsworth township, Lake county, asking to have the county annexed to Osceola.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 763. By Mr. Pearson: Petition of Grange No. 714 for traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 764. By Mr. Pearson: Petition of Grange No. 714 for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 765. By Mr. Pearson: Remonstrance of Grange No. 714 against repeal of farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 766. By Mr. Pearson: Petition of Grange No. 714 asking for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 767. By Mr. Pearson: Petition of Grange No. 714 for the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 768. By Mr. Pearson: Petition of Grange No. 714 asking for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 769. By Mr. Pearson: Petition of Grange No. 714 for the prevention of appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 770. By Mr. Bemis: Petition of Montcalm Grange No. 318 for prevention of appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 771. By Mr. Bemis: Petition for farmers' institute appropriation for Montcalm Grange No. 318.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 772. By Mr. Bemis: Petition of Montcalm Grange No. 318 asking the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 773. By Mr. Bemis: Petition of Montcalm Grange No. 318 asking for the passage of anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 774. By Mr. Bemis: Petition of Montcalm Grange No. 318 asking for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 775. By Mr. C. C. Phillips: Petition of Bee Hive Grange No. 158 asking for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 776. By Mr. C. C. Phillips: Petition of Bee Hive Grange No. 158 asking for the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 777. By Mr. C. C. Phillips: Petition of Bee Hive Grange No. 158 asking for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 778. By Mr. C. C. Phillips: Remonstrance of Bee Hive Grange No. 158 against repeal of farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 779. By Mr. C. C. Phillips: Petition of Bee Hive Grange No. 158 asking for the prevention of appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 780. By Mr. C. C. Phillips: Petition of Bee Hive Grange No. 158 asking for traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 781. By Mr. C. C. Phillips: Petition of Bee Hive Grange No. 158 for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 782. By Mr. Campbell: Petition of Batavia Grange No. 95 asking for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 783. By Mr. Campbell: Petition of Pittsford Grange No. 133 for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 784. By Mr. Campbell: Petition of Sherwood Grange No. 96 asking for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 785. By Mr. Campbell: Petition of Litchfield Grange No. 107 for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 786. By Mr. Gillam: Petition of George W. Beeves and 48 other citizens of Alcona county asking for the reorganization of the townships of said county.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 787. By Mr. Putney: Petition of Grange No. 714 against repeal of farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 788. By Mr. Putney: Petition of Grange No. 714 asking the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 789. By Mr. Putney: Petition to prevent appeals from justice courts, from Grange No. 714.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 790. By Mr. Putney: Petition of Grange No. 714 asking for the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 791. By Mr. Putney: Petition of Grange No. 714 asking for traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 792. By Mr. Putney: Petition of Grange No. 714 asking for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 793. By Mr. Putney: Petition of Grange No. 714 asking for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 794. By Mr. Wing: Petition of Johnstown Grange No. 127 asking for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 795. By Mr. Donovan: Petition of pastors of churches, W. C. T. U., Epworth League, Christian Endeavor Societies and Baptist Young People's Union, asking the passage of the Curfew bill.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on City Corporations:

The committee on City Corporations, to whom was referred House bill No. 527, entitled

A bill to amend and revise the charter of the city of Adrian;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

P. Herrig,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the amendment made by the committee to the bill,

The House concurred.

On motion of Mr. Camburn,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Dickinson, J. H.	Mr. Moore, E. W.
Allison	Dickinson, L. D.	Moore, M. G.
Alward	Donovan	Niedermeier
Anderson	Edgar	Pearson
Babcock, H.	Foster	Perry
Belknap	Fuller	Petrowsky
Bemis	Gibson	Powers
Billings	Gillam	Reed
Bricker	Goodell	Scully
Bryan	Goodyear	Shisler
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Caldwell	Herrig	Van Camp
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Campbell	Jackson	Washer
Chamberlain	Lee	Weier
Clark	Lusk	Wetherbee
Clute	Madill	Whitney
Coad	Marsilje	Wing
Colvin	Mayer	Zimmerman
Connors	Miller	Speaker
Crippen		

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Camburn,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

By the committee on Local Taxation:

The committee on Local Taxation, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 177, entitled

A bill to authorize the township of Tawas, Iosco county, to issue bonds for the purpose of borrowing money with which to pay a judgement debt;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

J. N. Clark,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Towns and Counties:

The committee on Towns and Counties, to whom was referred

House bill No. 1210, entitled

A bill legalizing certain bonds of the county of Muskegon;

Respectfully report that they have had the same and have directed me to report the same back to amendment and recommend that it do pass, and from the further consideration of the subject.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Whitney,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on Towns and Counties:

The committee on Towns and Counties, to whom Joint resolution No. 28, entitled

A joint resolution to amend Sec. 10, of Art. 10, the State of Michigan, so as to provide for a board for the county of Bay;

Respectfully report that they have had the same and have directed me to report the same back to amendment and recommend that it do pass, and from the further consideration of the subject.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correct presented to the Governor,

House bill No. 321, entitled

An act to empower the school district of Sault Ste. Marie, in Chippewa county, to bond electors according to law, in a sum not to exceed \$ maximum amount now allowed by law, for the school house sites, building school houses and equ the same;

For which your committee hold the receipt of dated March 5, 1897, at 10:15 o'clock a. m.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correct presented to the Governor,

House bill No. 172, entitled

An act to authorize the village of Laurium, in the State of Michigan, to borrow money and issue amount of \$35,000 for the purpose of constructing a sewer system;

For which your committee hold the receipt of the Executive Office dated March 5, 1897, at 10:15 o'clock a. m.

Geo. E. Gillam,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor,

House bill No. 248 (file No. 69), entitled

An act authorizing the incorporation of homes for aged, infirm or indigent men or women;

For which your committee hold the receipt of the Executive Office dated March 5, 1897, at 10:15 o'clock a. m.

Geo. E. Gillam,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor,

House bill No. 153 (file No. 57), entitled

An act to legalize and make valid certain assessments for lateral sewer purposes in the city of Negaunee, Marquette county, Michigan, and to provide a method for collecting delinquent assessments thereunder;

For which your committee hold the receipt of the Executive office dated March 5, 1897, at 10:15 o'clock a. m.

Geo. E. Gillam,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor,

House bill No. 290, entitled

An act to amend Secs. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 12 of act No. 306 of the local acts of 1893, entitled, "An act relative to justices' courts in the city of Grand Rapids, to reduce the number thereof, and to fix the compensation of such justices, and provide a clerk and offices therefor," approved March 22, 1893, as amended, and to add ten new sections thereto to stand as Secs. 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22 and 23;

For which your committee hold the receipt of the Executive office dated March 5, 1897, at 10:15 o'clock a. m.

Geo. E. Gillam,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor,

House bill No. 208 (file No. 63), entitled

An act regulating the care of poor persons within St. Clair county;

For which your committee hold the receipt of the Executive office dated March 5, 1897, at 10:15 o'clock a. m.

Geo. E. Gillam,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 4, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following concurrent resolution:

WHEREAS, A very large majority of the people of this government, irrespective of political affiliations, are rejoiced that Hon. William McKinley has been this day duly inaugurated President of the United States, and hope his administration so auspiciously begun will result in the increased happiness and prosperity of the whole American people; therefore

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House be requested to telegraph to the President a message of congratulation and greeting on behalf of the legislature of Michigan;

In the adoption of which the Senate has concurred.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The message was ordered spread on the Journal.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 5, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 521, entitled

A bill to consolidate fractional school district No. 5 of the townships of Yates and Cherry Valley, in Lake county, and school district No. 1 of Cherry Valley township;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 5, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 125, entitled

A bill to provide for the construction of a bridge across the Grand river in the township of Ada, in the county of Kent, and for the raising of funds to defray the cost and expense thereof;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 5, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 398, entitled

A bill to provide for the construction of a bridge across Grand river in the township of Plainfield, in the county of Kent, and for the raising of funds to defray the cost and expense thereof;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 5, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 527, entitled

A bill to amend and revise the charter of the city of Adrian;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 5, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 865, entitled

A bill to legalize the taxes assessed in the city of North Muskegon for the years 1895 and 1896;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 5, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 24 (file No. 7), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 8, Chap. 112, of Howell's statutes, entitled "Water Power Companies," being compiler's Sec. 3881 of Howell's annotated statutes;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 18 (file No. 65), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 30 of act No. 264 of the session laws of 1861, entitled "An act to authorize proceedings by garnishment in the circuit

courts and the district court of the upper peninsula," approved March 16, 1861, as subsequently amended, the same being Sec. 8086 of Howell's annotated statutes;

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Dickinson, L. D.	Mr. Moore, M. G.
Allison	Edgar	Niedermeyer
Alward	Eikhoff	Pearson
Anderson	Foster	Perry
Babcock, H.	Fuller	Peters
Bemis	Gibson	Petrowsky
Billings	Gillam	Powers
Bricker	Goodell	Reed
Buskirk	Goodyear	Scully
Cahoon	Green	Shisler
Caldwell	Hammond	Stewart
Camburn	Hofmeister	Tefft
Campbell	Jackson	Van Camp
Chamberlain	Lee	Washer
Clark	Lusk	Weier
Clute	Madill	Wetherbee
Coad	Marsilje	Whitney
Colvin	Mayer	Wing
Connors	Miller	Zimmerman
Crippen	Molster	Speaker
Dickinson, J. H.	Moore, E. W.	

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Title agreed to.

House bill No. 96 (file No. 70), entitled

A bill to make an appropriation for the support of the State Agricultural College, for the repair of buildings, and other improvements at said college.

Pending the third reading of the bill,

On motion of Mr. Perry,

The bill was laid on the table.

House bill No. 31 (file No. 30), entitled

A bill to provide for public notice and opportunity for a public hearing before the mayor and common council of all cities concerning all special or general city laws, relating to such cities.

Pending the third reading of the bill,

On motion of Mr. Lusk,

The bill was laid on the table.

House bill No. 19 (file No. 66), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 25 of act No. 137 of the laws of 1849 as amended, relative to authorizing proceedings against garnishees and for other purposes as amended, being Sec. 8055 of Howell's annotated statutes as amended by act No. 178 of the session laws of 1891;

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Edgar	Mr.
Allison	Elkhoff	
Anderson	Foster	
Babcock, H.	Fuller	
Bemis	Gibson	
Billings	Gillam	
Bricker	Goodell	
Buskirk	Goodyear	
Cahoon	Green	
Camburn	Hammond	
Campbell	Herrig	
Chamberlain	Hofmeister	
Clark	Jackson	
Clute	Lee	
Coad	Lusk	
Colvin	Madill	
Connors	Marsilje	
Crippen	Mayer	
Dickinson, J. H.	Miller	
Dickinson, L. D.	Moore, E. W.	
Donovan		

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Title agreed to.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

Mr. Jackson offered the following:

WHEREAS, It is the general opinion of the members of the House that the acoustic and lighting properties of our hall are such as to be a hindrance to the business of the House, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Speaker appoint a committee of investigation looking towards an improvement of the hall and report the result to this House.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Fuller offered the following:

Resolved, That when the House adjourn today it do so at 4:30 p. m. on Monday, March 8.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Tefft offered the following:

WHEREAS, Political interests have been carefully maintained, and at a nominal cost to the people, in the contest of disposing of the Baird-Kerr contest election

Resolved, That the further efforts of this House to secure the interests of the people.

Which,

On motion of Mr. Gillam,

Was laid on the table.

Mr. Eikhoff offered the following:

Resolved, That the Board of State Auditors are hereby requested to see that all sidewalks leading to and surrounding the State Capitol be kept clean from snow, ice and water, and that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Board of State Auditors at once.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Belknap offered the following:

WHEREAS, It is necessary that the members have an opportunity to properly understand the various bills presented for their consideration; therefore, be it

Resolved, That no bill be considered and passed in this House until it is printed, and copies placed upon the desks of all members.

Which,

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain,

Was laid on the table.

Mr. Smith moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of

House bill No. 301, entitled

A bill to legalize and give full effect to a conveyance of certain land made by the board of control of the Michigan Mining School to Florence E. Hubbell;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Smith,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Donovan	Mr. Neidermeier
Allison	Eikhoff	Pearson
Alward	Foster	Perry
Anderson	Fuller	Peters
Babcock, H.	Gibson	Powers
Belknap	Gillam	Putney
Bemis	Goodell	Reed
Billings	Goodyear	Scully
Bricker	Green	Shisler
Buskirk	Hammond	Smith
Cahoon	Herrig	Stewart
Caldwell	Hofmeister	Tefft
Camburn	Lee	Van Camp
Campbell	Lusk	Vought
Chamberlain	Madill	Washer
Clute	Marsilje	Weler
Coad	Mayer	Wetherbee
Colvin	Miller	Whitney
Connors	Molster	Wing
Crippen	Moore, E. W.	Zimmerman
Dickinson, L. D.	Moore, M. G.	Speaker

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Title agreed to.

Mr. Wetherbee moved to take from the table,

House bill No. 27 (file No. 20), entitled

A bill to provide for the registration of deaths in Michigan, and requiring certificates of deaths;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Wetherbee,

The bill was referred to the committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Molster moved to take from the table,

House bill No. 76, entitled

A bill to require street railway companies or persons operating electric cars, cable or other cars propelled by steam, cable or electricity, to protect passengers riding on said cars from personal injuries;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Molster,

The bill was referred to the committee on Private Corporations.

Mr. Gillam moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of

House bill No. 177, entitled

A bill to authorize the township of Tawas, Iosco county, to issue bonds for the purpose of borrowing money with which to pay a judgment debt;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Gillam,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Dickinson, L. D.	Mr. Niedermeier
Allison	Donovan	Pearson
Alward	Eikhoff	Perry
Anderson	Foster	Peters
Babcock, H.	Fuller	Petrowsky
Belknap	Gibson	Powers
Bemis	Gillam	Putney
Billings	Goodell	Reed
Bricker	Goodyear	Scully
Bryan	Green	Shisler
Buskirk	Hammond	Smith
Cahoon	Herrig	Stewart
Caldwell	Hofmeister	Tefft
Camburn	Jackson	Van Camp
Campbell	Lee	Vought
Chamberlain	Lusk	Washer
Clark	Madill	Weier
Clute	Marsilje	Wetherbee
Coad	Mayer	Whitney
Colvin	Miller	Wing

Mr. Connors
Crippen
Dickinson, J. H.

Mr. Molster
Moore, E. W.
Moore, M. G.

Mr. Zimmerman
Speaker

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Gillam,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Colvin moved to discharge the committee on Drainage from the further consideration of

House bill No. 217, entitled

A bill to provide for the appropriation of 3,000 acres of State swamp land for the purpose of widening and deeping the channel of Birch Run creek, where necessary, in the county of Saginaw;

Which motion prevailed.

By the committee on Drainage:

The committee on Drainage, to whom was referred

House bill No. 217, entitled

A bill to provide for the appropriation of 3,000 acres of State swamp land for the purpose of widening and deeping the channel of Birch Run creek, where necessary, in the county of Saginaw;

Respectfully report the same back to the House in accordance with its order, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

R. Pearson.

Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Colvin,

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Lusk,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order, whereupon

The Speaker called Mr. Chamberlain to the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose and, through their chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following:

House bill No. 25 (file No. 68), entitled

A bill to provide for the purchase of books and equipments for the Michigan State Library and the Michigan traveling libraries;

Have made sundry amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend its passage.

F. C. Chamberlain,

Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the amendment to the bill,

The House concurred.

On motion of Mr. Wetherbee,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Donovan	Mr.
Allison	Edgar	
Alward	Eikhoff	
Anderson	Foster	
Babcock, H.	Fuller	
Belknap	Gibson	
Billings	Gillam	
Bricker	Goodell	
Bryan	Goodyear	
Buskirk	Hammond	
Caldwell	Herrig	
Camburn	Hofmeister	
Campbell	Lee	
Chamberlain	Lusk	
Clute	Mayer	
Coad	McGill	
Connors	Molster	
Crippen	Moore, E. W.	
Dickinson, J. H.	Moore, M. G.	
Dickinson, L. D.	Niedermeier	

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Pearson,

The House took a recess until 1:30 o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker. The Roll called: quorum present.

The House resumed the regular order.

On motion of Mr. Stewart,

Leave of absence was granted to himself for the day.

On motion of Mr. Van Camp,
Leave of absence was granted to himself until Wednesday next.
On motion of Mr. Vought,
Leave of absence was granted to himself until Tuesday next.
On motion of Mr. M. G. Moore,
Leave of absence was granted to himself for the day.
On motion of Mr. Lusk,
Leave of absence was granted to himself for Monday next.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 796. By Mr. Scully: Petition of R. Logan, M. D., and 59 others of Ionia asking the passage of the medical bill.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 797. By Mr. McGill: Petition of the East Side Literary Society of Grand Rapids for the passage of House bill No. 1091, providing for women physicians on the physicians' staffs at asylums.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 798. By Mr. McGill: Petition of the South End Ladies' Literary Club of Grand Rapids for passage of House bill No. 1091, entitled "A bill to provide that all State asylums having women inmates shall have one or more women physicians, etc."

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 799. By Mr. McGill: Petition of the Eaglesfield Literary Club of Grand Rapids for the passage of House bill No. 1091, entitled "A bill to provide that all State asylums having women inmates shall have one or more women physicians, etc."

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 800. By Mr. McGill: Petition of the North End Woman's Club of Grand Rapids for the passage of House bill No. 1091, entitled "A bill to provide that all State asylums having women inmates shall have one or more women physicians, etc."

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 801. By Mr. McGill: Petition of William Fuller and 15 others for passage of House bill 1091, entitled "A bill to provide that all State asylums having women inmates shall have one or more women physicians, etc."

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 802. By Mr. Powers: Petition of Grange No. 49 for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 803. By Mr. Powers: Petition of Grange No. 49 against repeal of farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 804. By Mr. Gillam: Protest of citizens of Foster township, Ogemaw county, against the passage of bill vacating said township.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 805. By Mr. Otis: Petition of Trowbridge Grange No. 296 for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 806. By Mr. Otis: Petition of Trowbridge Grange No. 296 for the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 807. By Mr. Otis: Petition of Trowbridge Grange No. 296 for traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 808. By Mr. Otis: Petition of Monterey Grange No. 247 asking the prevention of appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 809. By Mr. Otis: Petition of Monterey Grange No. 247 asking for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 810. By Mr. Otis: Petition of Monterey Grange No. 247 asking for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 811. By Mr. Otis: Petition of Trowbridge Grange No. 812 for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 812. By Mr. Otis: Petition of Trowbridge Grange No. 812 asking for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 813. By Mr. Otis: Petition of Monterey Grange No. 247 asking for the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 814. By Mr. Otis: Petition of Monterey Grange No. 247 against repeal of farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 815. By Mr. Otis: Petition of Monterey Grange No. 815 for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 816. By Mr. Otis: Petition of Trowbridge Grange No. 296 for the prevention of appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 817. By Mr. Hofmeister: Petition of Whitney Grange No. 513 asking for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 818. By Mr. Hofmeister: Petition of the same grange for farmer's institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 819. By Mr. Hofmeister: Petition of the same Grange for a bill to prevent appeals from justice courts in certain cases.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 820. By Mr. Hofmeister: Petition of the same grange for the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 821. By Mr. Hofmeister: Petition of the same grange for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 822. By Mr. Hofmeister: Remonstrance of the same grange against the repeal of the farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 823. By Mr. Hofmeister: Petition of the same grange for traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 824. By Mr. Edgar: Petition of R. A. Pool and 80 others favoring the Kimmis county salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 825. By Mr. Allison: Petition of C. M. Wood and 18 others for the amendment of the drain law.

Referred to the committee on Drainage.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 5, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 405, entitled

A bill making an appropriation to defray the cost and expenses of making an exhibit for the State of Michigan at the International Exposition celebrating the 100th anniversary of the admission of the State of Tennessee into the Union;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Alward,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order.

Whereupon the Speaker called Mr. Edgar to the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following:

1. House bill No. 129 (file No. 46), entitled

A bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Saginaw county to pay its committees during the time the board is not in session, and when so first authorized by the board to serve and the time each member of said committees may serve in any one year.

2. House bill No. 165 (file No. 77), entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 1 and 5 of act No. 120 of the public acts of 1893, approved May 25, 1893, entitled "An act to amend Secs. 1 and 5 of act No. 25 of the public acts of 1887, approved March 9, 1887, entitled 'An act to provide for three additional circuit judges for the third judicial circuit,' so as to provide one other additional circuit judge for the third judicial circuit;

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend their passage.

The committee of the whole have also had under consideration the following:

3. House bill No. 28 (file No. 16), entitled

A bill to protect the owners of bottles, boxes, siphons, fountains and kegs, used in the sale of milk, cream, soda water, mineral or aerated waters, porter, ale, cider, ginger ale, small beer, lager beer, Weiss beer, beer, white beer, or other beverages;

Have made sundry amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend its passage.

The committee of the whole have also had under consideration the following:

4. House bill No. 271 (file No. 72), entitled

A bill to amend act No. 203 of the public acts of 1877, approved May 23, 1877, entitled "An act relative to dividing townships and villages into election districts and to provide for the registration of electors in such cases," by adding thereto another section to be known as Sec. 14;

And have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that it be referred to the committee on Elections.

The committee of the whole have also had under consideration the following:

5. House joint resolution No. 14, entitled

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to Sec. 1 of Art. 15 of the constitution of the State of Michigan, and to strike out and repeal Secs. 13 and 14 of said Art. 15, relative to the formation of corporations;

And have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that 2,000 copies of the joint resolution be printed for the use of the House.

W. B. Edgar,
Chairman.

The report accepted and committee discharged.

The first and second named bills were placed on the order of third reading.

The question being on concurring in the amendments made by the committee to the third named bill,

The House concurred, and it was placed on the order of third reading.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee relative to the fourth named bill,

The House concurred, and it was referred to the committee on Elections.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee relative to the fifth named joint resolution,

The House concurred, and 2,000 copies were ordered printed for the use of the House.

The Speaker announced the following special committees:

Committee to investigate and report on voting machines, in pursuance of concurrent resolution adopted by the House February 25, Messrs. Madill, Hofmeister and Wetherbee.

Committee to investigate and report relative to the acoustics and lighting of Representative Hall, in pursuance of resolution adopted today, Messrs. Jackson, C. C. Phillips and Donovan.

Mr. Chamberlain moved that the House adjourn,

Which motion prevailed, and

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until 4:30 o'clock p. m. on Monday next.

Lansing, Monday, March 8, 1897.

The House met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Miller.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. Atkinson, Bricker, Caldwell, Clute, Davis, J. H. Dickinson, Gustin, Jackson, Kelly, Lee, Lusk, E. W. Moore, Peek, Peters, C. C. Phillips, M. F. Phillips, Sawyer, Scully, Shisler, Stewart, Williams and Wing.

On motion of Mr. Crippen,

Leave of absence was granted to all absentees for the day.

On motion of Mr. Perry,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Jackson indefinitely on account of sickness.

On motion of Mr. Madill,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Lee until Monday next.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 826. By Mr. Connors: Petition of U. S. Albertson and 34 others of Luce county asking the legislature to pass House bill No. 150, known as the Anderson bicycle bill.

Referred to the committee on Railroads.

No. 827. By Mr. Connors: Petition of W. H. Wood and 20 other citizens of the City of St. Ignace asking the legislature to amend Sec. 2 of Chap. 276 of Howell's annotated statutes, being compiler's Sec. 8032, relating to garnishees in justices' courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 828. By Mr. Chamberlain: Memorial from Ella M. Chamberlain, principal of schools, five other teachers, the board of education and 25 business and professional men of the village of Ontonagon, praying for the passage of the bill providing for a normal school in the upper peninsula of this State.

Referred to the committee on Education.

No. 829. By Mr. Foote: Petition of William Timmons and 89 other citizens of Midland county, asking for an open market for partridge, quail and woodcock.

Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

No. 830. By Mr. Foote: Petition of Austin Parks and 20 other citizens of Midland county, asking for an open market for partridge, quail and woodcock.

Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

No. 831. By Mr. Foote: Petition of James Anderson and 69 other citizens of Midland county praying for an open market for partridge, quail and woodcock.

Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

No. 832. By Mr. Perry: Petition of the Lakeside Club of Manistee asking for women physicians at asylums.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 833. By Mr. Washer: Petition of taxpayers of Pinconning, Bay county, Mich., against any change in the metes and bounds of the village of Pinconning.

Referred to the committee on Village Corporations.

No. 834. By Mr. Foster: Remonstrance of H. Fairchild and 86 other citizens of Michigan against passage of House bills Nos. 658 and 659.

Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

No. 835. By Mr. Foster: Petition of Elk Lake Grange No. 469 asking for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 836. By Mr. Foster: Petition of Elk Lake Grange No. 469 against repeal of farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 837. By Mr. Foster: Petition of Elk Lake Grange No. 469 asking for traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 838. By Mr. Foster: Petition of Elk Lake Grange No. 469 asking for the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 839. By Mr. Bemis: Petition of A. S. Barherd and 139 other citizens of Michigan asking for the licensing of peddlers, hawkers, etc.

Referred to the committee on General Taxation.

No. 840. By Mr. Goodyear: Petition of Flushing Grange No. 387 asking for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 841. By Mr. Goodyear: Petition of Flushing Grange No. 387 asking for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 842. By Mr. Goodyear: Petition of Flushing Grange No. 387 asking for traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 843. By Mr. Goodyear: Petition of Flushing Grange No. 387 against repeal of farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 844. By Mr. Goodyear: Petition of Flushing Grange No. 387 asking for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 845. By Mr. Goodyear: Petition of Flushing Grange No. 387 asking for the prevention of appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 846. By Mr. Goodyear: Petition of Flushing Grange No. 387 asking for the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 847. By Mr. Camburn: Petition of Rollin Grange No. 383 against repeal of farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 848. By Mr. Camburn: Petition of Rollin Grange No. 383 for traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 849. By Mr. Camburn: Petition of Rollin Grange No. 383 asking for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 850. By Mr. Camburn: Petition of Rollin Grange No. 383 asking for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 851. By Mr. Camburn: Petition of Rollin Grange No. 383 asking for the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 852. By Mr. Camburn: Petition of Rollin Grange No. 383 asking for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 853. By Mr. Camburn: Petition of Rollin Grange No. 383 asking for the prevention of appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 854. By Mr. Camburn: Petition of Tipton Grange No. 165 asking for the repeal of the law relative to farm statistics.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 855. By Mr. Camburn: Petition of Tipton Grange No. 165 asking for the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 856. By Mr. Camburn: Petition of Tipton Grange No. 165 asking for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 857. By Mr. Camburn: Petition of Tipton Grange No. 165 asking for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 858. By Mr. Camburn: Petition of Tipton Grange No. 165 asking for the prevention of appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 859. By Mr. Camburn: Petition of Tipton Grange No. 165 asking for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 860. By Mr. Tefft: Petition of Springport Grange No. 45 asking for the prevention of appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 861. By Mr. Tefft: Petition of Springport Grange No. 45 against repeal of farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 862. By Mr. Tefft: Petition of Springport Grange No. 45 asking for traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 863. By Mr. Tefft: Petition of Springport Grange No. 45 asking for the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 864. By Mr. Tefft: Petition of Springport Grange No. 45 asking for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 865. By Mr. Tefft: Petition of Springport Grange No. 45 asking for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 866. By Mr. Powers: Remonstrance of Parkville Grange No. 22 against repeal of farm statistics.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 867. By Mr. Powers: Petition of Parkville Grange No. 22 asking for the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 868. By Mr. Powers: Petition of Parkville Grange No. 22 asking for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 869. By Mr. Powers: Petition of Parkville Grange No. 22 asking for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 870. By Mr. Powers: Petition of Parkville Grange No. 22 asking for the prevention of appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 871. By Mr. Hofmeister: Petition of Progress Farmers' Club against repeal of present highway law.

Referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

No. 872. By Mr. Hofmeister: Petition of Progress Farmers' Club against the building of any new State institution, or increasing of appropriations for existing institutions.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 873. By Mr. Hofmeister: Petition of Progress Farmers' Club asking the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 874. By Mr. Hofmeister: Petition of Progress Farmers' Club asking for the appropriation for farmers' institute.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 875. By Mr. Hofmeister: Petition of the Progress Farmers' Club against appropriation for School for Deaf.

Referred to the committee on School for Deaf.

No. 876. By Mr. Buskirk: Petition of Bradley Grange No. 669 against repeal of farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 877. By Mr. Buskirk: Petition of Rural Grange No. 37 against repeal of farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 878. By Mr. Buskirk: Petition of Rural Grange No. 37 asking for the prevention of appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 879. By Mr. Hofmeister: Petition of Rural Grange No. 37 asking for petition for traveling library.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 880. By Mr. Buskirk: Petition of Rural Grange No. 37 to continue the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 881. By Mr. Buskirk: Petition of Rural Grange No. 37 for the passage of the Kimmis county salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 882. By Mr. Buskirk: Petition of Rural Grange No. 37 for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 883. By Mr. Buskirk: Petition of Rural Grange No. 37 for passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 884. By Mr. Buskirk: Petition of Bradley Grange No. 669 for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 885. By Mr. Buskirk: Petition of Bradley Grange No. 669 for passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 886. By Mr. Buskirk: Petition of Bradley Grange No. 669 for the passage of the Kimmis county salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 887. By Mr. Buskirk: Petition of Bradley Grange No. 669 for a bill to prevent appeal from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 888. By Mr. Buskirk: Petition of Bradley Grange No. 669 for the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 889. By Mr. Hofmeister: Petition of Lisbon Grange No. 313 for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 890. By Mr. Hofmeister: Petition of Lisbon Grange No. 313 for a bill to prevent appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 891. By Mr. Hofmeister: Petition of Lisbon Grange No. 313 for the passage of the Kimmis county salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 892. By Mr. Hofmeister: Petition of Lisbon Grange No. 313 for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 893. By Mr. Hofmeister: Petition of Lisbon Grange No. 313 for the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 894. By Mr. Hofmeister: Remonstrance of Lisbon Grange No. 313 against repeal of the farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 895. By Mr. L. D. Dickinson: Petition of Charlotte Grange No. 67 for a bill to prevent appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 896. By Mr. L. D. Dickinson: Petition of Charlotte Grange No. 67 for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 897. By Mr. L. D. Dickinson: Petition for the passage of the Kimmis county salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 898. By Mr. L. D. Dickinson: Petition for the continuance of the office of Tax Collector.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 899. By Mr. Gillam: Protest of the citizens of Alcona county against a reduction of the salary of the Tax Collector.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 900. By Mr. Gillam: Petition of the citizens of Alcona county for the reorganization of the county.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 901. By Mr. Kimmis: Petition for the appointment of physicians in asylums.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 902. By Mr. Kimmis: Petition for the passage of House bill No. 602, women physicians.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 903. By Mr. Kimmis: Petition for the appointment of women physicians in asylums.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 904. By Mr. Kimmis: Petition of Women and Children for the passage of House bill No. 602, women physicians in asylums.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 905. By Mr. Hammond: Petition for the passage of House bill No. 198.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 906. By Mr. Madill: Petition for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 907. By Mr. Madill: Petition for the appropriation of money for a circulating library.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 908. By Mr. Madill: Petition for the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 909. By Mr. Madill: Petition for the appointment of a collector to prevent appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 910. By Mr. Madill: Petition for the passage of the Kimmis county salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 911. By Mr. Madill: Petition for the appointment of a collector for the colored people's institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 912. By Mr. Oberdorffer: Petition of other citizens of Stephenson township, Menominee county, for the establishment of an agriculture experimental station.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 913. By Mr. Coad: Petition of Bunker Hill Grange No. 262 for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 914. By Mr. Coad: Petition of Bunker Hill Grange No. 262 for the passage of the Kimmis county salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 915. By Mr. Coad: Petition of Bunker Hill Grange No. 262 for a bill to prevent appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 916. By Mr. January: Petition of Detroit Women's Club for women physicians in asylums.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STATE OFFICERS.

The Speaker announced the following:

AUDITOR GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT,
Lansing, March 5, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Lansing, Mich.:

Sir—In compliance with House resolution of February 25th last, I have the honor to submit the following statement showing the amount of money paid by the State to the institutions named; also the amount paid for the support of female convicts in the Detroit House of Correction during the fiscal years as stated.

From 1879 to 1886, earnings of the State Prison were covered into the State treasury and then paid over to the Prison authorities as proper requisitions were presented. This statement does not include these disbursements.

By fiscal years and institutions the statement is as follows:

Fiscal year ending.	Amount paid by State to—			
	State Prison.	Ionis House of Correction.	Marquette Prison.	Detroit House of Correction. Board of State Prisoners.
December 31, 1838.....	\$20,853 34	-----	-----	-----
November 30, 1839.....	12,572 48	-----	-----	-----
November 30, 1840.....	52,101 57	-----	-----	-----
November 30, 1841.....	12,518 04	-----	-----	-----
November 30, 1842.....	41,452 41	-----	-----	-----
November 30, 1843.....	11,649 48	-----	-----	-----
November 30, 1844.....	14,915 34	-----	-----	-----
November 30, 1845.....	12,901 55	-----	-----	-----
November 30, 1846.....	12,038 03	-----	-----	-----
November 30, 1847.....	7,574 99	-----	-----	-----
November 30, 1848.....	7,196 74	-----	-----	-----
November 30, 1849.....	12,000 00	-----	-----	-----
November 30, 1850.....	6,000 00	-----	-----	-----
November 30, 1851.....	6,000 00	-----	-----	-----
November 30, 1852.....	9,000 00	-----	-----	-----
November 30, 1853.....	9,500 00	-----	-----	-----
November 30, 1854.....	10,500 00	-----	-----	-----
November 30, 1855.....	40,825 37	-----	-----	-----
November 30, 1856.....	41,999 00	-----	-----	-----
November 30, 1857.....	47,999 00	-----	-----	-----

Fiscal year ending.	Amount	
	State Prison.	Ion Hous Correc
November 30, 1858.....	\$34,999 00	-----
November 30, 1859.....	16,373 63	-----
November 30, 1860.....	16,579 55	-----
November 30, 1861.....	5,169 45	-----
November 30, 1862.....	8,000 00	-----
November 30, 1863.....	5,000 00	-----
November 30, 1864.....	12,000 00	-----
November 30, 1865.....	45,000 00	-----
November 30, 1866.....	68,000 00	-----
November 30, 1867.....	45,000 00	-----
November 30, 1868.....	29,000 00	-----
November 30, 1869.....	2,000 00	-----
November 30, 1870.....	700 00	-----
September 30, 1871.....	5,300 00	-----
September 30, 1872.....	14,000 00	-----
September 30, 1873.....	27,800 00	-----
September 30, 1874.....	88,000 00	-----
September 30, 1875.....	42,000 00	2
September 30, 1876.....	21,133 33	82
September 30, 1877.....	18,965 00	120
September 30, 1878.....	11,000 00	113
September 30, 1879.....	30,263 38	47
September 30, 1880.....	13,000 00	38
September 30, 1881.....	-----	33
September 30, 1882.....	21,294 65	51
September 30, 1883.....	40,800 00	50
September 30, 1884.....	22,300 00	33
September 30, 1885.....	52,440 00	50
September 30, 1886.....	34,435 35	38
June 30, 1887.....	-----	54
June 30, 1888.....	51,200 00	60
June 30, 1889.....	91,000 00	53
June 30, 1890.....	44,065 00	42
June 30, 1891.....	16,000 00	48
June 30, 1892.....	36,089 97	89
June 30, 1893.....	30,052 00	61
June 30, 1894.....	28,000 00	94
June 30, 1895.....	23,000 00	64
June 30, 1896.....	24,230 00	58
Totals.....	\$1,454,657 65	\$1,336

Very respectfully,

Dictated by

John F. Wilkinson,

Deputy Auditor General.

The communication was ordered spread on the

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 129 (file No. 46), entitled

A bill to authorize the board of supervisors of its committees during the time the board is not

first authorized by the board to serve and the time each member of said committees may serve in any one year;

— Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Edgar	Mr. Niedermeier
Allison	Eikhoff	Oberdorffer
Alward	Fleischhauer	O'Dett
Anderson	Foote	Otis
Babcock, C. G.	Foster	Pearson
Babcock, H.	Fuller	Perry
Bates	Gibson	Petrowsky
Belknap	Gillam	Powers
Bemis	Goodell	Putney
Billings	Goodyear	Reed
Bryan	Graham	Rulison
Buskirk	Green	Savage
Cahoon	Hammond	Shepard, F. M.
Camburn	Herrig	Shepherd, F.
Campbell	Hofmeister	Smith
Chamberlain	January	Stoneman
Clark	Kimmis	Tefft
Coad	Madill	Washer
Colvin	Marsilje	Weier
Connors	Mayer	Wetherbee
Crippen	McGill	Whitney
Dickinson, L. D.	Miller	Zimmerman
Donovan	Molster	Speaker
Dudley	Moore, M. G.	

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Herrig,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

— House bill No. 165 (file No. 77), entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 1 and 5 of act No. 120 of the public acts of 1893, approved May 25, 1893, entitled "An act to amend Secs. 1 and 5 of act No. 25 of the public acts of 1887, approved March 9, 1887, entitled 'An act to provide for three additional circuit judges for the third judicial circuit,'" so as to provide one other additional circuit judge for the third judicial circuit;

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Edgar	Mr. Moore, M. G.
Allison	Eikhoff	Niedermeier
Alward	Fleischhauer	Oberdorffer
Anderson	Foote	O'Dett
Babcock, C. G.	Foster	Otis
Babcock, H.	Fuller	Pearson

Mr. Bates	Mr. Gibson	Mr. Perry
Belknap	Gillam	Petrowsky
Billings	Goodell	Powers
Bryan	Goodyear	Putney
Buskirk	Graham	Reed
Cahoon	Green	Rulison
Camburn	Hammond	Savage
Campbell	Herrig	Shepard, F. M.
Chamberlain	Hofmeister	Shepherd, F.
Clark	January	Smith
Coad	Kimmis	Stoneman
Colvin	Madill	Tefft
Connors	Marsilje	Washer
Crippen	Mayer	Weier
Dickinson, L. D.	McGill	Wetherbee
Donovan	Miller	Whitney
Dudley	Molster	Speaker

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Stoneman,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 28 (file No. 16), entitled

A bill to protect the owners of bottles, boxes, siphons, fountains and kegs, used in the sale of milk, cream, soda water, mineral or aerated waters, porter, ale, cider, ginger ale, small beer, lager beer, Weiss beer, beer, white beer, or other beverages;

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Donovan	Mr. Molster
Allison	Edgar	Niedermeyer
Alward	Elkhoff	Oberdorffer
Anderson	Fleischhauer	O'Dett
Babcock, C. G.	Foster	Otis
Babcock, H.	Fuller	Perry
Bates	Gibson	Petrowsky
Belknap	Gillam	Putney
Billings	Goodell	Reed
Bryan	Goodyear	Savage
Buskirk	Graham	Shepard, F. M.
Cahoon	Green	Shepherd, F.
Camburn	Hammond	Smith
Campbell	Herrig	Tefft
Chamberlain	Hofmeister	Washer
Clark	January	Weier
Coad	Kimmis	Wetherbee
Colvin	Marsilje	Whitney

Mr. Connors
Crippen
Dickinson, L. D.

Mr. Mayer
McGill
Miller

Mr. Zimmerman
Speaker

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Mr. Dudley

Mr. Moore, M. G.

Mr. Pearson

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Title agreed to.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Mayer offered the following:

WHEREAS, This House has learned with sorrow of the death of Hon. James B. Porter, Secretary of State of Michigan from 1861 to 1866; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Porter's public life was long and honorable, covering the period of Michigan's greatest growth and development;

Resolved by the House (the Senate concurring), That the Speaker of the House and President of the Senate do appoint a committee of five members from each house, to be present at the funeral of the deceased; and be it further

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon the Journal and an engrossed copy thereof be presented to the family of the deceased;

Pending the order that the resolution lie over one day under the rules, On motion of Mr. Mayer,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the resolution was put upon its immediate consideration.

The resolution was then adopted.

The Speaker announced as the committee on the part of the House, under the resolution, Messrs. Mayer, Adams, Stoneman, Rulison and Powers.

Mr. Chamberlain offered the following:

Resolved, That Representative W. R. Edgar be given the right to exchange his present seat, No. 40, for that formerly occupied by Mr. Kerr, now vacant, No. 81;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Connors moved to take from the table, House bill No. 869, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory now comprising Portage township in Mackinac county and attach the same to Luce county;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Connors,

The bill was referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Connors moved to take from the table,

House bill No. 1219, entitled

A bill to authorize the city of Sault Ste. Marie to borrow money to refund certain indebtedness and issue bonds therefor;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Connors,

The bill was referred to the committee on Local Taxation.

Mr. Whitney moved to take from the table,

House bill No. 1210, entitled

A bill legalizing certain bonds of the county of
Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Whitney,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members
being therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed by the yeas and nays,
members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays,

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Dudley
Allison	Edgar
Alward	Elkhoff
Anderson	Fleischhauer
Babcock, C. G.	Foote
Babcock, H.	Foster
Bates	Fuller
Belknap	Gibson
Bemis	Gillam
Billings	Goodell
Bryan	Goodyear
Buskirk	Graham
Cahoon	Green
Camburn	Hammond
Campbell	Herrig
Chamberlain	Hofmeister
Clark	January
Coad	Kimmis
Colvin	Madill
Connors	Marsilje
Cousins	McGill
Crippen	Miller
Dickinson, L. D.	Molster
Donovan	

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Whitney,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect,
to take immediate effect.

On motion of Mr. Fuller,

The House took a recess until 7:30 o'clock this evening.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met and was called to order by the
Roll called: quorum present.

The House resumed the order of

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Campbell offered the following:

WHEREAS, The twenty-seventh day of January last past was the sixtieth anniversary of the admission of Michigan into the Union as a State; and

WHEREAS, The sixteenth day of March next will be the fiftieth anniversary of the location and establishment of the State capitol at Lansing; and

WHEREAS, In the years which have elapsed since said events, Michigan has been transformed from a vast wilderness into a great and prosperous commonwealth, having become rich in mining, manufacturing and agriculture; and

WHEREAS, It is seasonable that at this period in the history of Michigan, upon the return of the days upon which happened events so important in her history, that her people should commemorate the happening of these events; therefore be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That the sixteenth day of March next be designated as Michigan Day, and that the evening be set apart and devoted to a program in commemoration of the events above named, to be prepared by a joint committee of three of each House of the legislature, to be appointed by the presiding officer of the respective Houses.

Pending the order that the resolution lie over one day under the rules, On motion of Mr. Campbell,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the resolution was put upon its immediate consideration.

The resolution was then adopted.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Cousins,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order, whereupon,

The Speaker called Mr. Bates to the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following:

1. Senate bill No. 3 (file No. 14), entitled

A bill to provide for the completion, printing, binding, distribution and sale of the compiled laws of 1897.

2. House bill No. 333 (file No. 76), entitled

A bill to allow and authorize the deposit of a guaranty fund in the State treasury by fraternal beneficiary societies, orders and associations doing business in this State;

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend their passage.

The committee of the whole have also had under-
 lowing:

3. House bill No. 107 (file No. 48), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 103 of Chap. 12 of the com-
 compiler's Sec. 749, as amended by act 199, laws
 eligibility of persons to township offices.

4. House bill No. 296 (file No. 78), entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 127, 128, 129, 130, 131 and
 the public acts of 1893, being an act to provide
 property and the levy and collection of taxes there-
 tion of taxes heretofore and hereafter levied, mak-
 the lands taxed, establishing and continuing such
 sale and conveyance of lands delinquent for taxes,
 and disposition of lands bid off to the State and
 chased, and to repeal act No. 200 of the public act
 acts and parts of acts in anywise contravening and
 this act as amended by act No. 154 of the public

Have made sundry amendments thereto, and has
 man to report the same back to the House, asking
 and recommend their passage.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The first and second named bills were placed on
 ing.

The question being on concurring in the amend-
 committee to the third and fourth named bills,

The House concurred, and they were placed on
 ing.

Mr. Sawyer moved that the rules be suspended.
 Senate bill No. 3 (file No. 14), entitled

A bill to provide for the completion, printing
 and sale of the compiled laws of 1897;

Be put on its immediate passage;

Which motion did prevail, two-thirds of all the
 ing therefor.

The bill was then read a third time and passed
 members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays,

YEAS.

Mr. Allison
 Alward
 Anderson
 Babcock, C. G.
 Babcock, H.
 Bates
 Belknap
 Billings
 Bricker
 Bryan
 Buskirk

Mr. Edgar
 Eikhoff
 Fleischhauer
 Foote
 Fuller
 Gibson
 Gillam
 Goodell
 Goodyear
 Graham
 Hammond

Mr. Cahoon
 Camburn
 Campbell
 Chamberlain
 Clute
 Coad
 Colvin
 Connors
 Cousins
 Crippen
 Dickinson, L. D.
 Donovan
 Dudley

Mr. Herrig
 Hofmeister
 January
 Madill
 Marsilje
 Mayer
 McGill
 Miller
 Molster
 Moore, M. G.
 Niedermeyer
 Oberdorffer
 O'Dett

Mr. Shepard, F. M.
 Shepherd, F.
 Smith
 Stewart
 Stoneman
 Tefft
 Washer
 Weiler
 Wetherbee
 Whitney
 Zimmerman
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Sawyer,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Chamberlain, by unanimous consent, offered the following:

Resolved, That the Board of State Auditors be requested to furnish to the House a statement of the cost of the printing and binding of the report of the State Tax Statistician for 1896, including the paper therefor, and the cost of all other printing of circulars, documents, etc., for said officer;

Which was adopted.

By unanimous consent,

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
 Lansing, March 8, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to respectfully ask the House to return to the Senate,

House bill No. 527, entitled

A bill to amend and revise the charter of the city of Adrian.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
 Secretary of the Senate.

The question being on complying with the request of the Senate for the return of the bill,

Mr. Camburn moved that the committee on Enrollment be discharged from the further consideration of the bill, and that it be returned to the Senate in accordance with the request therefor;

Which motion prevailed.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment, to whom was referred

House bill No. 527, entitled

A bill to amend and revise the charter of the city of Adrian;

Respectfully report the same to the House

Report accepted.

The bill was ordered returned to the Senate request therefor.

On motion of Mr. Zimmerman,
The House adjourned.

Lansing

The House met pursuant to adjournment of the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Slattery.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. Davis, G.

On motion of Mr. Petrowsky,

Leave of absence was granted to all absent.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS

No. 917. By Mr. January: Petition of the city of Detroit relative to women physicians at

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 918. By Mr. Peek: Petition of Springfield for the passage of the Kimmis county official

Referred to the committee on Towns and

No. 919. By Mr. Peek: Petition of Springfield for the continuance of the office of Tax Statistics.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 920. By Mr. Peek: Petition of Springfield for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 921. By Mr. Peek: Petition of Springfield for repeal of farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 922. By Mr. Peek: Petition of Springfield for traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 923. By Mr. Peek: Petition of Springfield for the prevention of appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 924. By Mr. Fleischhauer: Petition of the Eureka Lumber Co., Canfield Salt and Lumber Co., asking to have Lake county annexed to

Referred to the committee on Towns and

No. 925. By mail to the Clerk: Petition of Elrie Grange No. 202 asking for the prevention of appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 926. By mail to the clerk: Petition of Elrie Grange No. 202 against repeal of farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 927. By mail to the Clerk: Petition of Elrie Grange No. 202 asking for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 928. By mail to the Clerk: Petition of Elrie Grange No. 202 asking for the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 929. By mail to the Clerk: Petition of Elrie Grange No. 202 asking for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 930. By mail to the Clerk: Petition of Elrie Grange No. 202 asking for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 931. By mail to the Clerk: Petition of Elrie Grange No. 931 asking for appropriation for traveling library.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 932. By Mr. Chamberlain: Memorial, signed by 3,000 officers and members of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union and hundreds of Christian ministers from all over Michigan, praying the legislature to pass a bill providing for the prohibition of the manufacture and sale of cigarettes, act to establish a reformatory prison for women, bill in relation to police matrons, and curfew bill.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 933. By Mr. Fleischhauer: Petition of C. E. Haak and 68 others of Glencoe township asking that Lake county be annexed to Osceola.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 934. By Mr. F. M. Shepard: Petition of North Vernon Farmers' Club favoring the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 935. By Mr. F. M. Shepard: Petition of Deerfield Farmers' Club asking for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 936. By Mr. F. M. Shepard: Petition of the Women's Literary Club of Owosso relative to women physicians at asylums.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 937. By Mr. Cousins: Petition of Pittsford Grange No. 133 asking for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 938. By Mr. Cousins: Petition of Pittsford Grange No. 133 asking for the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 939. By Mr. Cousins: Petition of Pittsford Grange No. 133 asking for traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 940. By Mr. Cousins: Petition of Pittsford Grange No. 133 asking for the prevention of appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 941. By Mr. Cousins: Petition of Pittsford for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural Colonization.

No. 942. By Mr. Cousins: Petition of Pittsford for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 943. By Mr. Cousins: Remonstrance of Litchfield against repeal of farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 944. By Mr. Cousins: Petition of Litchfield for the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 945. By Mr. Cousins: Petition of Litchfield for the traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 946. By Mr. Cousins: Petition of Litchfield for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural Colonization.

No. 947. By Mr. Cousins: Petition of Litchfield for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 948. By Mr. Cousins: Petition of Litchfield for the prevention of appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 949. By Mr. Cousins: Petition of Litchfield for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 950. By Mr. Cousins: Petition of Ransom for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 951. By Mr. Cousins: Petition of Ransom for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 952. By Mr. Cousins: Petition for the prevention of appeals from justice courts, from Ransom Grange No. 181.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 953. By Mr. Cousins: Petition of Moscow for the prevention of appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 954. By Mr. Cousins: Petition of Moscow for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 955. By Mr. Cousins: Petition of Moscow for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 956. By Mr. Cousins: Petition of Wheatland for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 957. By Mr. Cousins: Petition of Wheatland for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 958. By Mr. Madill: Petition of I. S. Osborn and 61 other citizens of Huron county against passage of House bills Nos. 658 and 659.

Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

No. 959. By Mr. Lusk: Petition of Lovell U. Grant and 40 other wheelmen and patrons of the wheel of West Bay City asking for the passage of House bill No. 150.

Referred to the committee on Railroads.

No. 960. By Mr. Lusk: Petition of W. H. Dresser and 41 other wheelmen and patrons of the wheel of West Bay City asking for the passage of House bill No. 150.

Referred to the committee on Railroads.

No. 961. By Mr. Lusk: Petition of F. E. Bresler and 47 other wheelmen and patrons of the wheel of West Bay City asking for the passage of House bill No. 150.

Referred to the committee on Railroads.

No. 962. By Mr. Campbell: Petition of Salem Farmers' Club asking for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 963. By Mr. C. G. Babcock: Remonstrance of Sherwood Grange No. 96 against repeal of farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 964. By Mr. C. G. Babcock: Petition of Sherwood Grange No. 96 asking for the traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 965. By Mr. C. G. Babcock: Petition of Sherwood Grange No. 96 asking for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 966. By Mr. C. G. Babcock: Petition of Sherwood Grange No. 96 asking for the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 967. By Mr. Babcock: Petition of Sherwood Grange No. 96 asking for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 968. By Mr. C. G. Babcock: Petition of Sherwood Grange No. 96 for a farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 969. By Mr. C. G. Babcock: Petition of Sherwood Grange No. 96 for a bill to prevent appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 970. By Mr. Miller: Petition of the Greenville W. R. C. for a bill to prohibit the manufacture and sale of cigarettes.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 971. By Mr. Miller: Petition of the Greenville B. Y. P. U. for a bill to prohibit the manufacture and sale of cigarettes.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 972. By Mr. Miller: Petition of A. M. Hyde, pastor, and 96 members of the Greenville Congregational Church for a bill to prohibit the manufacture and sale of cigarettes.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 973. By Mr. Miller: Petition of Wm. L. Davison, pastor, and 90 members of the first M. E. Church of Greenville for a bill to prohibit the manufacture and sale of cigarettes.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 974. By Mr. Miller: Petition of the Baptist church of Greenville for a bill and sale of cigarettes.

Referred to the committee on Public Health.

No. 975. By Mr. C. C. Phillips: Petition for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 976. By Mr. C. C. Phillips: Petition to prevent appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 977. By Mr. C. C. Phillips: Petition for the passage of the county salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Cities.

No. 978. By Mr. C. C. Phillips: Petition to continue the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 979. By Mr. C. C. Phillips: Petition for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 980. By Mr. Bricker: Petition of farmers for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 981. By Mr. Bricker: Petition of farmers for the passage of the Kimmis county salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Cities.

No. 982. By Mr. Gibson: Petition of farmers for the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 983. By Mr. Gibson: Petition of farmers for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 984. By Mr. Gibson: Petition of farmers for the passage of the Kimmis county salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Cities.

No. 985. By Mr. Gibson: Petition of farmers for a bill to prevent appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 986. By Mr. Gibson: Petition of farmers for institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 987. By Mr. Gibson: Petition of farmers for a traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 988. By Mr. Sawyer: Protest of J. B. Charlevoix county bar against payment in relation to duties and compensation of circuit.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 989. By Mr. Clute: Remonstrance against continuing the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 990. By Mr. Clute: Remonstrance of Pennfield Grange No. 85 against a farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 991. By Mr. Clute: Petition of Pennfield Grange No. 85 in favor of repeal of farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 992. By Mr. Clute: Petition of Pennfield Grange No. 85 for a traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 993. By Mr. Clute: Petition of Pennfield Grange No. 85 for a bill to prevent appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 994. By Mr. Clute: Petition of Pennfield Grange No. 85 for the passage of the Kimmis county salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 995. By Mr. Clute: Petition of Pennfield Grange No. 85 for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 996. By Mr. Williams: Petition of Buchanan Grange No. 40 for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 997. By Mr. Williams: Petition of Buchanan Grange No. 40 for a bill to prevent appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 998. By Mr. Williams: Petition of Buchanan Grange No. 40 for the passage of the Kimmis county salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 999. By Mr. Williams: Petition of Buchanan Grange No. 40 for a farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 1000. By Mr. Williams: Remonstrance of Buchanan Grange No. 40 against repeal of farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 1001. By Mr. Williams: Petition of Buchanan Grange No. 40 for traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 1002. By Mr. Williams: Petition of Buchanan Grange No. 40 to continue the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 1003. By Mr. Crippen: Remonstrance of H. Dienberg and 17 other citizens of Amasa, Iron county, against reduction of railroad fares.

Referred to the committee on Railroads.

No. 1004. By Mr. Peek: Petition relative to uniting the school districts of the city of Jackson.

Referred to the committee on Education.

No. 1005. By Mr. Tefft: Petition of Parma Grange No. 710 for the passage of the Kimmis county salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 1006. By Mr. Tefft: Petition of Parma Grange No. 710 for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 1007. By Mr. Tefft: Petition of Parma farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 1008. By Mr. Tefft: Petition of Parma Graveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 1009. By Mr. Tefft: Petition of Parma for continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 1010. By Mr. Tefft: Petition of Parma for bill to prevent appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 1011. By Mr. Mayer: Petition of Alaiedon for continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 1012. By Mr. Mayer: Petition of Alaiedon for bill to prevent appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 1013. By Mr. Mayer: Petition of Alaiedon for traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 1014. By Mr. Mayer: Petition of Alaiedon for the passage of the Kimmis county salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 1015. By Mr. Mayer: Petition of Alaiedon for passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 1016. By Mr. Fuller: Protest of 33 citizens of county, against the passage of the bill creating Marais, and making the president of the village of the board of supervisors.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 1017. By Mr. Kimmis: Petition of Whitesboro for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 1018. By Mr. Kimmis: Petition of the Whitesboro for the passage of the county salary bill and the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 1019. By Mr. Harris: Petition of Ironton for the traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 1020. By Mr. Harris: Petition of Ironton for the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 1021. By Mr. Harris: Remonstrance of Whitesboro against repeal of farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 1022. By Mr. Harris: Petition of Ironton for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 1023. By Mr. Harris: Petition of Ironton Grange No. 707 asking for the prevention of appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 1024. By Mr. Harris: Petition of Ironton Grange No. 707 asking for appropriation for farmers' institute.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 1025. By Mr. Harris: Petition of Ironton Grange No. 707 asking for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 1026. By Mr. Harris: Petition of Willard A. Smith, president of Charlevoix, and 88 other citizens of Charlevoix county, asking for the defeat of House bills Nos. 658 and 659.

Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

No. 1027. By Mr. Foster: Petition of Grand Traverse Grange No. 379 asking for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 1028. By Mr. Foster: Petition of Grand Traverse Grange No. 379 asking for the traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 1029. By Mr. Foster: Petition of Grand Traverse Grange No. 379 against repeal of farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 1030. By Mr. L. D. Dickinson: Petition of 400 railroad employes against uniform two cent fares on railroads.

Referred to the committee on Railroads.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on City Corporations:

The committee on City Corporations, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 83, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of title 2 of act 429, local acts of 1895, entitled "An act to reincorporate the city of Cadillac and to create a recorders' court in said city and to provide for the election and appointment of officers therein, and to prescribe the duties of said recorder," approved May 22, 1895;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

P. Herrig,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Caldwell,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Allison
Alward
Anderson

Mr. Edgar
Fleischhauer
Foote

Mr. Niedermeier
Oberdorffer
O'Dett

Mr. Babcock, C. G.	Mr. Foster	1
Babcock, H.	Fuller	
Bates	Gibson	
Belknap	Gillam	
Billings	Goodell	
Bricker	Goodyear	
Buskirk	Graham	
Cahoon	Hammond	
Caldwell	Harris	
Camburn	Herrig	
Campbell	Hofmeister	
Chamberlain	January	
Clark	Kelly	
Clute	Kimmis	
Coad	Lusk	
Colvin	Madill	
Connors	Marsilje	
Cousins	Mayer	
Crippen	McGill	
Dickinson, J. H.	Miller	
Dickinson, L. D.	Moore, E. W.	
Donovan	Moore, M. G.	
Dudley		

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Caldwell,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to take immediate effect.

By the committees on City Corporations and Villages

The committees on City Corporations and Villages to whom was referred

House bill No. 668, entitled

A bill to authorize the cities and villages of this State to construct and operate a telephone system within their limits to furnish telephone service to the inhabitants thereof; money therefor;

Respectfully report that they have had the same read and have directed me to request of the House that the use of the committee.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on ordering the bill printed and the committee,

The House so ordered.

By the committee on City Corporations:

The committee on City Corporations, to whom

House bill No. 1183, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 3, 4, 5, 8 and 9 of Chap. 1 of an act entitled "An act to provide a charter for the city of Detroit and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith, being act No. 326 of the session laws of 1883," approved June 7, 1883, as amended by act No. 324 of the session laws of 1891, approved May 13, 1891, and to add thereto a new section to stand as Sec. 11;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

P. Herrig,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on ordering the bill printed for the use of the committee,

The House so ordered.

By the committee on City Corporations:

The committee on City Corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 549, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of the public lighting act of the city of Detroit, the same being Chap. 13 of the charter of the said city as approved March 18, 1893;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

P. Herrig,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on ordering the bill printed for the use of the committee,

The House so ordered.

By the committee on City Corporations:

The committee on City Corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 633, entitled

A bill to create a light and power commission in the city of Marquette, Michigan, and to define the powers and duties;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House with amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

P. Herrig,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the amendments made by the committee to the bill,

The House concurred.

On motion of Mr. Billings,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, a

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Dickinson, L. D.	Mr.
Allison	Donovan	
Alward	Dudley	
Anderson	Edgar	
Atkinson	Fleischhauer	
Babcock, C. G.	Foote	
Babcock, H.	Foster	
Bates	Fuller	
Belknap	Gibson	
Bemis	Gillam	
Billings	Goodell	
Bricker	Goodyear	
Bryan	Hammond	
Buskirk	Harris	
Cahoon	Herrig	
Caldwell	Hofmeister	
Camburn	January	
Campbell	Kimmis	
Chamberlain	Lusk	
Clark	Madill	
Coad	Marsilje	
Colvin	Mayer	
Connors	McGill	
Cousins	Miller	
Crippen	Moore, E. W.	
Dickinson, J. H.	Moore, M. G.	

NAYS.

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Billings,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect to take immediate effect.

By the committee on City Corporations:

The committee on City Corporations, to whom House bill No. 634, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 13 of Chap. 7; Secs. 2, 6 and 2, 7, 8, 10, 12, 13, 14, 16, 18, 19 and 22 of Chap. 12, act to amend and revise the charter of the city of county," approved March 27, 1891, as amended by acts of 1893, and as amended by act No. 409 of the 1895, and to add three new sections thereto, to state of Chap. 12; and to repeal all acts or parts of act visions of this act;

Respectfully report that they have had the same and have directed me to report the same back

amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

P. Herrig,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Billings,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Dudley	Mr. Oberdorffer
Allison	Edgar	O'Dett
Alward	Fleischhauer	Otis
Atkinson	Foote	Pearson
Babcock, C. G.	Foster	Peek
Babcock, H.	Fuller	Perry
Bates	Gibson	Peters
Belknap	Gillam	Phillips, C. C.
Bemis	Goodell	Phillips, M. F.
Billings	Goodyear	Putney
Bricker	Graham	Reed
Bryan	Hammond	Rulison
Buskirk	Harris	Savage
Cahoon	Herrig	Sawyer
Caldwell	Hofmeister	Scully
Camburn	January	Shepard, F. M.
Campbell	Kimmis	Shepherd, F.
Chamberlain	Lusk	Shisler
Clark	Madill	Smith
Clute	Marsilje	Stewart
Coad	Mayer	Tefft
Colvin	McGill	Washer
Cousins	Miller	Weler
Crippen	Moore, E. W.	Wetherbee
Dickinson, J. H.	Moore, M. G.	Whitney
Dickinson, L. D.	Niedermeier	Speaker
Donovan		

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Billings,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

By the committee on Towns and Counties:

The committee on Towns and Counties, to whom was referred

House bill No. 4, entitled

A bill to provide the coroners of Wayne county with one clerk each and to fix their compensation;

Respectfully report that they have had the same and have directed me to report the same back to accompanying substitute therefor, entitled

A bill to provide the coroners of Wayne county his duties and to fix his compensation;

Recommending that the substitute be concurred in amendment as to passage, and ask to be discharged consideration of the subject.

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Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the amendment to the bill,

The House concurred.

On motion of Mr. M. G. Moore,

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Towns and Counties:

The committee on Towns and Counties, to whom Senate bill No. 50 (file No. 6), entitled

A bill to make townships and cities in Lapeer county liable for the payment of all claims incurred in the care of contagious diseases, or diseases dangerous to public health in preventing the spread of such diseases, where primarily liable for such payment;

Respectfully report that they have had the same and have directed me to report the same back to amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and from the further consideration of the subject.

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Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole on the general order.

By the committee on Towns and Counties:

The committee on Towns and Counties, to whom Senate bill No. 32 (file No. 13), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 16 of Chap. 9 of the compiled statutes amended by Sec. 16, act No. 61, of the public acts of 1896, of Howell's annotated statutes, approved April 1896, relating to county buildings and furnishing same;

Respectfully report that they have had the same and have directed me to report the same back to amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole on the general order.

By the committee on Religious and Benevolent Societies:

The committee on Religious and Benevolent Societies, to whom was referred

House bill No. 455, entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of the Students' Christian Association of the University of Michigan;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Geo. W. Rulison,

Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Sawyer,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams
Allison
Alward
Anderson
Atkinson
Babcock, H.
Bates
Belknap
Billings
Bricker
Bryan
Buskirk
Cahoon
Caldwell
Camburn
Campbell
Chamberlain
Clark
Clute
Coad
Colvin
Connors
Cousins
Crippen
Dickinson, J. H.
Dickinson, L. D.
Donovan
Dudley

Mr. Edgar
Elkhoff
Fleischhauer
Foote
Foster
Fuller
Gibson
Gillam
Goodell
Goodyear
Graham
Hammond
Harris
Herrig
Hofmeister
January
Kimmis
Lusk
Madill
Marsilje
McGill
Miller
Molster
Moore, E. W.
Moore, M. G.
Niedermeyer
Oberdorffer

Mr. O'Dett
Pearson
Peek
Perry
Peters
Petrowsky
Phillips, C. C.
Phillips, M. F.
Powers
Putney
Reed
Rulison
Savage
Sawyer
Scully
Shepard, F. M.
Shepherd, F.
Shisler
Smith
Stewart
Tefft
Washer
Weier
Wetherbee
Williams
Zimmerman
Speaker

NAYS.

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Sawyer,
By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect
to take immediate effect.

By the committee on Religious and Benevolent Societies,
The committee on Religious and Benevolent Societies
referred

House bill No. 346, entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of Terrestrial
Association within the State of Michigan;

Respectfully report that they have had the same
and have directed me to report the same back to
accompanying substitute therefor, entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of Terrestrial
Association within the State of Michigan;

Recommending that the substitute be concurred
in, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the
of the subject.

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Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the substitute
bill, by the committee,

The House concurred.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to
whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Elections:

The committee on Elections, to whom was referred

House bill No. 797, entitled

A bill to repeal act No. 311 of the local acts of the
approved March 23, 1893, and entitled "An act providing
precincts for the township of Waucesha in the
defining the limits thereof, providing for a new register
thereof, and determining who shall be the inspectors
members of the board of registration therein;"

Respectfully report that they have had the same
and have directed me to report the same back to
amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and
from the further consideration of the subject.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Crippen,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members
therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate

The bill was then read a third time and passed
members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as

YEAS.

Mr. Allison
Alward
Anderson

Mr. Foote
Foster
Fuller

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Mr. Atkinson
 Babcock, H.
 Bemis
 Billings
 Buskirk
 Cahoon
 Caldwell
 Camburn
 Campbell
 Chamberlain
 Clark
 Clute
 Coad
 Connors
 Cousins
 Crippen
 Dickinson, J. H.
 Dickinson, L. D.
 Donovan
 Dudley
 Elkhoff
 Fleischhauer

Mr. Gibson
 Gillam
 Goodell
 Goodyear
 Graham
 Hammond
 Harris
 Herrig
 Hofmeister
 January
 Kimmis
 Lusk
 Madill
 Marsilje
 McGill
 Miller
 Molster
 Moore, E. W.
 Moore, M. G.
 Niedermeyer
 Oberdorffer

Mr. Perry
 Peters
 Petrowsky
 Phillips, C. C.
 Phillips, M. F.
 Powers
 Putney
 Reed
 Rulison
 Scully
 Shepard, F. M.
 Shepherd, F.
 Shisler
 Smith
 Stewart
 Tefft
 Washer
 Weier
 Wetherbee
 Zimmerman
 Speaker

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Crippen,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

By the committee on General Taxation:

The committee on General Taxation, to whom was referred
 House bill No. 117, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 3, article 3, of act No. 174 of the session laws of 1891, entitled "An act to amend Sec. 3 of article 3 of act No. 174 of the public acts of 1883, entitled 'An act to amend Secs. 7, 30, 36 and 41 of article 2, and Secs. 3 and 5 of article 3, and Sec. 14 of article 4, and to add two new sections to article 2, to stand as Secs. 45 and 46,' and a new section to article 5 to stand as Sec. 22 of an act entitled 'An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of railroad companies and regulate the running and managing, and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroads and other corporations owning or operating any railroad in this State,' approved May 1, 1873, being act No. 198 of the session laws of 1873, the section hereby amended being Sec. 3360 of Howell's annotated statutes, Vol. 3,'" as amended by act 174 of the session laws of 1891;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. W. Perry,
 Acting Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to and placed on the general order.

By the committee on General Taxation:

The committee on General Taxation, to whom was referred House bill No. 141 (file No. 73), entitled

A bill to provide for the taxation of inheritance by will, transfer of property by the intestate, transfers of property by deed, grant, bargain, sale, and operation of the death of the grantor, vendor or effect in possession or enjoyment at or after

Respectfully report that they have had the bill read and have directed me to report the same with an amendment, and recommend that it do pass from the further consideration of the subject.

Report accepted and committee discharge.

The bill was referred to the committee on the general order.

By the committee on Labor:

The committee on Labor, to whom was referred House bill No. 92, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 9 and 16 of act No. 11, entitled "An act to provide for the inspection of establishments and workshops in this State, and enforcement, regulation and inspection of the employment of women and children therein;

Respectfully report that they have had the bill read and have directed me to report the same with amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be adopted, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and be taken up for the further consideration of the subject.

Report accepted and committee discharge.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Labor:

The committee on Labor, to whom was referred House bill No. 365, entitled

A bill to provide for the stamping of boots or partly of an imitation leather;

Respectfully report that they have had the bill read and have directed me to report the same with an amendment and recommend that it do pass from the further consideration of the subject.

Report accepted and committee discharge.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Labor:

The committee on Labor, to whom was referred

House bill No. 216, entitled

A bill to provide for labeling and marking of goods, wares and merchandise manufactured by convicts;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Henry Eikhoff,

Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Labor:

The committee on Labor, to whom was referred

House bill No. 162, entitled

A bill to prohibit any person, firm, company or corporation from selling, giving, delivering or issuing to any person employed by him or it in payment of wages of labor not due, any script, token, draft check or other evidence of indebtedness purporting to be payable or redeemable otherwise than in money, and to provide a penalty therefor;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House with amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Henry Eikhoff,

Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the amendment made by the committee to the bill,

The House concurred.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Labor:

The committee on Labor, to whom was referred

House bill No. 199, entitled

A bill to provide the manner in which servant girls may quit or be discharged;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill be referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Henry Eikhoff,

Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on referring the bill as requested by the committee, the House so ordered, and the bill was referred to the committee on Judiciary.

By the committee on Private Corporations:

The committee on Private Corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 612, entitled

A bill to prohibit additional compensation by express companies doing business in this State for the delivery of packages or merchandise within the limits of chartered cities thereof;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

M. G. Moore,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on ordering the bill printed for the use of the committee,

The House so ordered.

By the committee on Private Corporations:

The committee on Private Corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 400, entitled

A bill to provide for a report and payment of a license fee by and issuance to, sleeping, drawing-room, parlor, palace and chair car companies doing business in this State;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

M. G. Moore,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on ordering the bill printed for the use of the committee,

The House so ordered.

By the committee on Private Corporations:

The committee on Private Corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 214, entitled

A bill providing for the payment of a license on railway sleeping cars, regulating fare charged, and regulating the method of operating the berths of said sleeping cars;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

M. G. Moore,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on ordering the bill printed for the use of the committee,

The House so ordered.

By the committee on Private Corporations:

The committee on Private Corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 593, entitled

A bill for the regulations of the charges of express companies doing business within this State, and for providing penalties for the violation of the same;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

M. G. Moore,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on ordering the bill printed for the use of the committee,

The House so ordered.

By the committee on Private Corporations:

The committee on Private Corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 134, entitled

A bill to provide for the taxation and collection of taxes of persons, companies, associations and corporations, whether located within or without this State, engaged in running palace, drawing room, dining or sleeping cars, over or upon any railroad situated wholly or partly within this State;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

M. G. Moore,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on ordering the bill printed for the use of the committee,

The House so ordered.

By the committee on Private Corporations:

The committee on Private Corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 623, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act relative to plank roads," approved March 13, 1848;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

M. G. Moore,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on ordering the bill printed for the use of the committee,

The House so ordered.

By the committee on Private Corporations:

The committee on Private Corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 660, entitled

A bill to repeal act No. 251 of the laws of 1848, entitled "An act to incorporate the Detroit & Erin Plank Road Company," and all amendments and additions thereto;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

M. G. Moore,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on ordering the bill
mittee,

The House so ordered.

By the committee on Private Corporations

The committee on Private Corporations,
House bill No. 776, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 29 of Chap. 96 of
being compiler's Sec. 3624, relative to plan

Respectfully report that they have had
and have directed me to request of the H
for the use of the committee.

Report accepted and committee discharged

The question being on ordering the bill
mittee,

The House so ordered.

By the committee on Private Corporations

The committee on Private Corporations,
House bill No. 489, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 29, act 155, session
8, 1851, entitled "An act to provide for t
construct roads," as amended by subsequ
Chap. 96 of Howell's annotated statutes;

Respectfully report that they have had
and have directed me to request of the Ho
the use of the committee.

Report accepted and committee discharged

The question being on ordering the bill
mittee,

The House so ordered.

By the committee on Private Corporations

The committee on Private Corporations
House bill No. 490, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 17 of act No. 62, 1
March 13, 1848, entitled "An act relative t
subsequent acts, being Sec. 3582 of Ch
statutes;

Respectfully report that they have had
and have directed me to request of the Ho
the use of the committee.

Report accepted and committee discharged

The question being on ordering the bill
mittee,

The House so ordered.

By the committee on Private Corporations:

The committee on Private Corporations, to whom was referred
House bill No. 228, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 27 and 40 of act No. 155, of the public acts of 1851, entitled "An act to provide for the formation of companies to construct plank roads," and to add a new section thereto, providing a penalty for non-compliance with the law;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

M. G. Moore,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on ordering the bill printed for the use of the committee,

The House so ordered.

By the committee on Private Corporations:

The committee on Private Corporations, to whom was referred
House bill No. 661, entitled

A bill to repeal act No. 128 of the laws of 1850, entitled "An act to incorporate the Erin and Mt. Clemens Plank Road Company," and all amendments and additions thereto;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

M. G. Moore,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on ordering the bill printed for the use of the committee,

The House so ordered.

By the committee on Local Taxation:

The committee on Local Taxation, to whom was referred
House bill No. 1219, entitled

A bill to authorize the city of Sault Ste. Marie to borrow money to refund certain outstanding indebtedness and issue bonds therefor;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

J. N. Clark,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Connors,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Allison
Alward

Mr. Foote
Foster

Mr. Pearson
Peek

Mr. Anderson	Mr. Fuller
Atkinson	Gibson
Babcock, H.	Gillam
Bemis	Goodyear
Billings	Hammond
Buskirk	Harris
Caldwell	Herrig
Camburn	Hofmeister
Campbell	Jackson
Chamberlain	January
Clark	Kimmis
Clute	Marsilje
Coad	McGill
Colvin	Miller
Connors	Molster
Cousins	Moore, E. W.
Crippen	Moore, M. G.
Dickinson, J. H.	Niedermeier
Dudley	Oberdorffer
Elkhoff	O'Dett
Fleischhauer	

NAYS.

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Connors,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to take immediate effect.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as corrected presented to the Governor,

House bill No. 81 (file No. 29), entitled

An act to amend act No. 161 of the public acts to require county treasurers to furnish transcripts and fixing the fees to be paid therefor;"

For which your committee hold the receipt dated March 9, 1897, at 10:15 o'clock a. m.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as corrected presented to the Governor,

House bill No. 10 (file No. 25), entitled

An act to amend Sec. 1 of act No. 111 of 1897, entitled "An act to prevent the destruction of houses in the marshes along the shore of lakes E Michigan," being Sec. 2216 of Howell's annotated all acts inconsistent therewith;

For which your committee hold the receipt dated March 9, 1897, at 10:15 o'clock a. m.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor,

House bill No. 178 (file No. 26), entitled

An act to allow the spearing of fish;

For which your committee hold the receipt of the Executive office dated March 9, 1897, at 10:15 o'clock a. m.

Geo. E. Gillam,

Chairman.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Public Health:

The committee on Public Health, to whom was referred

House bill No. 510, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 3, 6, 11, 13 and 15 of act 193 of the session laws of 1895, approved May 22, 1895, entitled "An act to prohibit and prevent the adulteration, fraud and deception in the manufacture and sale of articles of food and drink;"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying substitute therefor, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 1, 3, 6 and 15 of act 193 of the session laws of 1895, approved May 22, 1895, entitled "An act to prohibit and prevent adulteration, fraud and deception in the manufacture and sale of articles of food and drink;"

Recommending that the substitute be concurred in, and that the substitute do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

W. R. Edgar,

Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the substitute reported for the bill, by the committee,

The House concurred.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Labor and Railroads:

The committees on Labor and Railroads, to whom was referred

House bill No. 40, entitled

A bill to define the rights of employes of railroad corporations (including street railway corporations), to determine the liability of such corporations to its employes for injuries resulting from the negligence of employes of such corporations;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

Henry Eikhoff,

Chairman.

C. E. Foote,

Chairman Railroad Committee.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on ordering the bill printed for the use of the committee,

The House so ordered.

By the committee on Judiciary:

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred

House joint resolution No. 5, entitled

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Sec. 10 of Art. 10 of the constitution of this State, relative to the powers granted to boards of supervisors, to prescribe and fix the compensation for all services rendered for, and to adjust all claims against, their respective counties;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the joint resolution when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. J. Sawyer,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the amendment made by the committee to the joint resolution,

The House concurred.

The joint resolution was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Judiciary:

The committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 239 (file No. 89), entitled

A bill for the suppression of mob violence;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. J. Sawyer,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the amendment made by the committee to the bill,

The House concurred.

The bill was then referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Speaker announced the following:

STATE OF MICHIGAN,
EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Lansing, March 8, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day approved, signed and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State,

House bill No. 336, being

An act to reincorporate the city of Ironwood in the county of Gogebic, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith.

Respectfully,

H. S. Pingree,

Governor.

The message was ordered spread on the Journal.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STATE OFFICERS.

The Speaker announced the following :

MICHIGAN BOARD OF STATE AUDITORS,
Lansing, March 9, 1897.

Hon. Wm. D. Gordon,

Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—In accordance with the resolution of the House of March 8, in regard to cost of printing report of State Tax Statistician for 1896, including paper, and the cost of all other printing for that officer, the Board of State Auditors respectfully submits the following:

Report—

Printing	\$3,305 13
Binding	500 30
Paper	858 87
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	\$4,064 30
Other printing	193 11
Other binding	5 94
Stationery	31 78
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Total	4,895 13

Very respectfully,

S. A. Commons,

Clerk Board of State Auditors.

The communication was ordered spread on the Journal.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 8, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following concurrent resolution:

WHEREAS, This House has learned with sorrow of the death of Hon. James B. Porter, Secretary of State of Michigan from 1861 to 1866; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Porter's public life was long and honorable, covering the period of Michigan's greatest growth and development; therefore

Resolved by the House (the Senate concurring), That the Speaker of the House and President of the Senate do appoint a committee of five mem-

bers from each House, to be present at the funeral of the deceased; and be it further

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon the Journal, and an engrossed copy thereof be presented to the family of the deceased;

Also to inform the House that Messrs. Barnum, Moore, Mason, Hadsall and Youmans have been appointed as the committee in the part of the Senate, under the resolution;

In the adoption of which the Senate has concurred.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The resolution was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 9, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to respectfully ask the House to re-transmit to the Senate

House bill No. 248 (file No. 69), entitled

A bill authorizing the incorporation of homes for aged, infirm or indigent men or women.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The question being on complying with the request of the Senate for the return of the bill,

Mr. Sawyer offered the following:

Resolved, That the Governor be respectfully requested to return to the House without his signature,

House bill No. 248 (file No. 69), entitled

A bill authorizing the incorporation of homes for aged, infirm or indigent men and women.

Which was adopted.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 8, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 1210, entitled

A bill legalizing certain bonds of the county of Muskegon;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 8, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 169, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 466 of the local acts of 1895, being an act to re-incorporate the city of North Muskegon, in Muskegon county, and to detach certain territory from the town of Laketon, in said county, and attach the same to said city, and to detach certain territory from the former city of North Muskegon and attach the same to the town of Laketon, and to repeal act No. 215 of the local acts of 1891, entitled "An act to incorporate the city of North Muskegon, in Muskegon county, and to detach certain territory from Muskegon township, in said county, and attach the same to said city and to repeal act No. 159 of the local acts of 1881, entitled 'An act to incorporate the village of North Muskegon,'" by amending Secs. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14 of Chap. 8, and by adding two new sections to Chap. 11 of said act, being Secs. 9 and 10;

And to inform the House that the Senate has amended the same as follows:

1. By striking out Sec. 9 of Chap. 11, and renumbering Sec. 10 of said chapter as Sec. 9.

2. By inserting in the last line of renumbered Sec. 9, after the word "council," the words "and the common council of said city shall provide for the payment of said bonds and the interest thereon, at maturity, by tax levied on all taxable property in said city of North Muskegon;"

And to further inform the House that the Senate has amended the title of the bill so as to read as follows:

A bill to amend act No. 466 of the local acts of 1895, being an act to reincorporate the city of North Muskegon, in Muskegon county, and to detach certain territory from the town of Laketon in said county and attach the same to said city, and to detach certain territory from the former city of North Muskegon and attach the same to the town of Laketon, and to repeal act No. 215 of the local acts of 1891, entitled "An act to incorporate the city of North Muskegon in Muskegon county, and to detach certain territory from Muskegon township in said county and attach the same to said city, and to repeal act No. 159 of the local acts of 1881, entitled 'An act to incorporate the village of North Muskegon,'" by amending Secs. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14 of Chap. 8, and by adding one new section to Chap. 11 of said acts, being Sec. 9;

In the passage of which, as thus amended and title thus amended, the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The question being on concurring in the an
Senate to the bill,

On motion of Mr. Anderson,

The bill was laid on the table.

The Speaker also announced the following:

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To the Speaker of the House of Representatives
Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return
mg bill:

House bill No. 527, entitled

A bill to amend and revise the charter of the

And to inform the House that the Senate has
lows:

1. By striking from the word "years" in line 3

2. By striking out of line 3 of Sec. 19 the wor
lieu thereof the word "one;"

In the passage of which, as thus amended, the
a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and b
all the Senators elect has ordered the same to t

Very respectf

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The question being on concurring in the amer
ate to the bill,

The House concurred, a majority of all the me
for, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams
Allison
Alward
Anderson
Atkinson
Babcock, H.
Belknap
Bemis
Billings
Bricker
Cahoon
Camburn
Campbell
Chamberlain
Clark
Clute
Coad
Colvin
Connors
Cousins

Mr. Edgar
Eikhoff
Foote
Foster
Fuller
Gibson
Goodell
Hammond
Harris
Herrig
Hofmeister
Jackson
January
Kimmis
Lusk
Marsilje
Mayer
McGill
Miller
Molster

Mr. Dickinson, J. H.	Mr. Moore, E. W.	Mr. Williams
Dickinson, L. D.	Moore, M. G.	Zimmerman
Donovan	Niedermeyer	Speaker
Dudley	Oberdorffer	

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The bill was then referred to the committee on Enrollment for enrollment and presentation to the Governor.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 333 (file No. 76), entitled

A bill to allow and authorize the deposit of a guaranty fund in the State treasury by fraternal beneficiary societies, orders and associations doing business in this State;

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Dickinson, L. D.	Mr. O'Dett
Allison	Donovan	Pearson
Alward	Dudley	Peek
Anderson	Fleischhauer	Petrowsky
Atkinson	Foote	Phillips, C. C.
Babcock, H.	Gibson	Powers
Bates	Gillam	Putney
Belknap	Goodell	Rulison
Bemis	Hammond	Savage
Billings	Harris	Sawyer
Buskirk	Herrig	Scully
Cahoon	Hofmeister	Shepard, F. M.
Caldwell	Jackson	Shepherd, F.
Camburn	January	Shisler
Campbell	Kimmls	Smith
Chamberlain	Lusk	Stewart
Clark	Marsilje	Tefft
Clute	Mayer	Vought
Colvin	McGill	Washer
Connors	Miller	Weier
Cousins	Moore, E. W.	Wetherbee
Crippen	Moore, M. G.	Zimmerman
Dickinson, J. H.	Oberdorffer	Speaker

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Mr. Coad	Mr. Foster	Mr. Niedermeyer
Edgar	Goodyear	

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Savage,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 107 (file No. 48), entitled
A bill to amend Sec. 103 of Chap. 12 of the
-compiler's Sec. 749, as amended by act 19
-eligibility of persons to township offices.

Was read a third time and passed, a
voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follo

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Dudley
Allison	Edgar
Alward	Eikhoff
Anderson	Fleischhauer
Atkinson	Foote
Babcock, H.	Foster
Bates	Fuller
Belknap	Gibson
Bemis	Gillam
Billings	Goodell
Buskirk	Goodyear
Cahoon	Hammond
Caldwell	Harris
Camburn	Herrig
Campbell	Hofmeister
Chamberlain	Jackson
Clark	January
Coad	Kimmis
Colvin	Lusk
Connors	Marsilje
Cousins	McGill
Crippen	Miller
Dickinson, J. H.	Molster
Dickinson, L. D.	Moore, E. V.
Donovan	Niedermeyer

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Title agreed to.

House bill No. 296 (file No. 78), entitle
A bill to amend Secs. 127, 128, 129, 13
the public acts of 1893, being an act to
property and the levy and collection of t
tion of taxes heretofore and hereafter le
the lands taxed, establishing and contin
sale and conveyance of lands delinquent
and disposition of lands bid off to the
chased, and to repeal act No. 200 of the
acts and parts of acts in anywise contr
this act as amended by act No. 154 of the

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Dudley	Mr. Oberdorffer
Allison	Edgar	O'Dett
Alward	Elkhoff	Pearson
Anderson	Fleischhauer	Perry
Atkinson	Foote	Peters
Babcock, H.	Foster	Phillips, C. C.
Bates	Fuller	Powers
Belknap	Gibson	Putney
Bemis	Gillam	Reed
Billings	Goodell	Rullison
Buskirk	Goodyear	Sawyer
Cahoon	Hammond	Scully
Caldwell	Harris	Shepard, F. M.
Camburn	Herrig	Shepherd, F.
Campbell	Hofmeister	Shisler
Chamberlain	Jackson	Smith
Clark	January	Stewart
Clute	Kimmis	Stoneman
Coad	Lusk	Tefft
Colvin	Marsilje	Vought
Connors	Mayer	Weler
Cousins	McGill	Wetherbee
Crippen	Miller	Williams
Dickinson, J. H.	Molster	Zimmerman
Dickinson, L. D.	Niedermeler	Speaker
Donovan		

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Title agreed to.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Lusk moved to take from the table,
House bill No. 83 (file No. 31), entitled

A bill to provide for the analysis of water in use by the public in certain cases;

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Elkhoff	Mr. Pearson
Allison	Foote	Peek
Alward	Foster	Perry
Anderson	Fuller	Peters
Atkinson	Gibson	Petrowsky

Mr. Babcock, H.	Mr. Goodell
Bates	Goodyear
Bemis	Hammond
Billings	Harris
Bricker	Herrig
Cahoon	Hofmeister
Caldwell	Jackson
Camburn	January
Campbell	Kimmis
Chamberlain	Lusk
Coad	Marsilje
Colvin	Mayer
Connors	McGill
Cousins	Miller
Crippen	Molster
Dickinson, J. H.	Moore, E. W.
Dickinson, L. D.	Niedermeyer
Donovan	Oberdorffer
Dudley	O'Dett
Edgar	

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Mr. Clark

Mr. Clute

Title agreed to.

Mr. Wetherbee moved to discharge the committee from the further consideration of

Senate bill No. 77, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 17 of Chap. 7 of acts of 1895, entitled "An act to provide a charter for the city of St. Paul," so that all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith shall be amended by act No. 488 of the local acts of 1897.

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of **Mr. Wetherbee**,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of the members concurring therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate consideration.

The bill was then read a third time and the yeas and nays were taken, by yeas and nays.

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Crippen
Allison	Dickinson, J.
Alward	Dickinson, L.
Anderson	Donovan
Atkinson	Dudley
Babcock, H.	Eikhoff
Belknap	Foote
Bemis	Gibson
Billings	Goodell
Bricker	Hammond
Bryan	Harris
Buskirk	Herrig

Mr. Cahoon	Mr. Hofmeister	Mr. Shepard, F. M.
Caldwell	Jackson	Shisler
Camburn	January	Smith
Campbell	Kimms	Stoneman
Chamberlain	Lusk	Tefft
Clark	Marsilje	Vought
Clute	Mayer	Wetherbee
Coad	McGill	Williams
Colvin	Miller	Zimmerman
Connors	Molster	Speaker
Cousins	Moore, E. W.	

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Wetherbee,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Harris moved to take from the table,

House bill No. 371, entitled

A bill to vacate the township of Chandler in Charlevoix county, and attach the same to the township of Peaine of the same county,

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Harris,

The bill was referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Harris moved to take from the table,

House bill No. 372, entitled

A bill to vacate the township of Galilee, in the county of Charlevoix, and attach the same to the township of Peaine,

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Harris,

The bill was referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

Mr. Chamberlain moved to take from the table,

House bill No. 984, entitled

A bill to provide for a uniform style of ballot boxes at voting precincts within this State where no voting machine is in use,

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain,

The bill was referred to the committee on Elections.

Mr. January moved to take from the table,

House bill No. 1115, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 11 of an act, entitled "An act supplemental to the charter of the city of Detroit, and relating to parks, boulevards and other public grounds in said city, and to repeal act No. 374 of the local acts of 1879, entitled 'An act to provide for the establishment and maintenance of a broad street or boulevard about the limits of the city of Detroit and through portions of the townships of Hamtramck, Greenfield and Springwells, in the county of Wayne,'" approved May 21, 1879;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. January,

The bill was referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Lusk offered the following:

Resolved, That the consideration of

House joint resolution No. 14, entitled
 Joint resolution proposing an amendment
 constitution of the State of Michigan and
 13 and 14 of said article 15, relative to the
 Be made the special order for Wednesday
 Which was adopted, two-thirds of all
 therefor.

Mr. Hammond offered the following:

WHEREAS, The Senate has appointed a
 the management, the mode of conducting
 care of the inmates, the payment of the
 affairs and the general discipline in the
 prison;

WHEREAS, Said select committee has been
 witnesses, administer oaths and to require
 papers, statements, balance sheets or other
 information with such investigation, and to en-
 power the writer to take testimony; therefore

Resolved, That the House committee on
 be and is hereby authorized to act with
 investigation, and is hereby given like po-
 power.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Dudley moved to take from the table
 Joint resolution No. 26, entitled

Joint resolution authorizing the Commis-
 sioner to revive part paid primary school land
 Edgar O. Whitman of Newaygo county,
 the Commissioner of the State Land Office
 to Edgar O. Whitman, numbered 9976;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Dudley,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds
 being therefor, and the joint resolution was

The joint resolution was then read a third
 of all the members elect voting therefor.

YEAS.

Mr. Adams
 Allison
 Alward
 Anderson
 Atkinson
 Babcock, H.
 Belknap
 Bemis
 Billings
 Bryan
 Buskirk
 Cahoon
 Caldwell
 Camburn

Mr. Dickinson,
 Donovan
 Dudley
 Eikhoff
 Foote
 Fuller
 Gibson
 Goodell
 Goodyear
 Hammond
 Harris
 Hofmeister
 Jackson
 January

Mr. Campbell
Chamberlain
Clark
Clute
Coad
Colvin
Cousins
Crippen
Dickinson, J. H.

Mr. Kimmis
Marsilje
Mayer
Miller
Molster
Moore, E. W.
Moore, M. G.
Niedermeier

Mr. Shepard, F. M.
Shepherd, F.
Shisler
Smith
Tefft
Vought
Zimmerman
Speaker

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Title and preamble agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Dudley,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. E. W. Moore moved to take from the table,

House bill No. 600, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. Nos. 1, 3, 7, 11, 14, 17, 20, 30, 36, 37, 63, 75, 82 and 97 of act No. 53 of the session laws of 1859, entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Battle Creek, approved February 3, 1859, as revised and amended by the several acts revisionary and amendatory thereof," approved April 9, 1887, as amended by act No. 384 of the session laws of 1889, approved May 9, 1889, and as amended by act No. 331 of the session laws of 1891, approved May 22, 1891, and as amended by act No. 312 of the session laws of 1893, approved March 22, 1893, and as amended by act No. 418 of the session laws of 1895, approved May 17, 1895;

Which motion prevailed,

On motion of Mr. E. W. Moore,

The bill was referred to the committee on City Corporations.

Mr. Goodell offered the following:

WHEREAS, The special committee appointed to investigate and report to the legislature the names, employment and wages of every person whose rate of compensation is equal to or in excess of \$800 per annum have not been able to complete the labors incidental thereto in the 15 days required for the same; therefore be it

Resolved, That a farther extension of 15 days be granted for the preparation of the report;

Which was adopted.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order, Whereupon the Speaker called Mr. Marsilje to the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following:

1. House bill No. 156 (file No. 79), entitled

A bill to provide that in all graded school districts in which a newspaper is published, the proceedings of the board of education shall be published.

2. House bill No. 307 (file No. 81), entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 8 and 15 of Chap. 9 of 1895, entitled "An act to provide for within the State of Michigan, and defined approved February 9, 1895.

3. House joint resolution No. 11 (file No. 11)

Joint resolution for the relief of Mrs. M. Michigan, on account of the death of her charge of military duty.

4. House bill No. 267 (file No. 91), entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the for the years 1897 and 1898.

5. House bill No. 88 (file No. 92), entitled

A bill to fix the per diem compensation of a legislature from the upper peninsula for and during

6. House bill No. 302 (file No. 95), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 55 of Chap. 154 of 1885, entitled "Offenses against property," as amended by acts of 1885, being Sec. 9176a of Howell's

Have made no amendments thereto, and to report the same back to the House and

The committee of the whole have also the following:

7. House bill No. 219 (file No. 96), entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 2, 3, and 4 of act of 1887, being Secs. 7629b, 7629c and 7629d of 1887, entitled "An act in relation to jurors in counties of Wayne and to revise the laws relative thereto"

Have made sundry amendments thereto, and to report the same back to the House and recommend its passage.

The committee of the whole have also the following:

8. House bill No. 341 (file No. 97), entitled

A bill to authorize the township of Jarrow money on its bonds to build a pier in the township;

And have directed their chairman to report with the recommendation that it be laid on the table.

The committee of the whole have also the following:

9. House bill No. 281 (file No. 93), entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of act No. 48 of 1877, entitled "An act to amend Sec. 2 of act No. 70 of 1877," and to amend Sec. 2 of act No. 70 of 1877, entitled "An act for the more effectual prevention of fire," being Sec. 9392 of Howell's

Have stricken out all after the enacting words, and directed their chairman to report that the same be stricken out of the bill.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

on the order of third reading.

The question being on concurring in the amendments made by the committee to the seventh named bill,

The House concurred, and it was placed on the order of third reading.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee relative to the eighth named bill,

The House concurred, and it was laid on the table.

The question being on concurring in the action of the committee in striking out all after the enacting clause of the ninth named bill,

On motion of Mr. Fleischhauer,

The bill was laid on the table.

By unanimous consent:

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 9, 1897.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following concurrent resolution:

WHEREAS, The twenty-seventh day of January last past was the sixtieth anniversary of the admission of Michigan into the Union as a State; and

WHEREAS, The sixteenth day of March next, will be the fiftieth anniversary of the location and establishment of the State capitol at Lansing; and

WHEREAS, In the years which have elapsed since said events, Michigan has been transformed from a vast wilderness into a great and prosperous commonwealth, having become rich in mining, manufacturing and agriculture; and

WHEREAS, It is seasonable that at this period in the history of Michigan, upon the return of the days upon which happened events so important in her history, that her people should commemorate the happening of these events; therefore be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That the sixteenth day of March next be designated as Michigan day and that the evening be set apart and devoted to a program in commemoration of the events above named, to be prepared by a joint committee of three of each House of the legislature, to be appointed by the presiding officers of the respective Houses;

In the adoption of which the Senate has concurred.

And to inform the House that the Senate has appointed Messrs. Preston, Loomis and Mudge to act as a committee upon program on the part of the Senate.

Very respectfully,

Charles S. Pierce,
Secretary of the Senate.

The message was ordered spread on the Journal.

The Speaker announced the following:

Committee to arrange program for Michigan Day in pursuance of concurrent resolution adopted by the House yesterday: Messrs. Campbell, Shepard, F. M., and Bricker.

The Speaker also announced the following:

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To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to
ing bill:

House bill No. 978, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the town
Marquette county, and attach the same to the town
said county;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred
all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds
elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

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The bill was referred to the committee on Enrollment
presentation to the Governor.

On motion of Mr. Sawyer,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Wednesday

The House met pursuant to adjournment and
the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Miller.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Mr. Donovan.

On motion of Mr. Whitney,

Leave of absence was granted to all absentees

By unanimous consent:

Mr. Chamberlain offered the following:

WHEREAS, The funeral of the late Hon. J. B.
State of Michigan, occurs at this hour, therefore,

Resolved, That as a mark of respect to the men
the House do now take a recess until 4 o'clock this

Which was adopted by a unanimous rising vote.

The Speaker declared the House in recess until
noon.

AFTER RECESS.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 1031. By Mr. Chamberlain: Protest of J. W. Jones and 16 other citizens of Channing, Michigan, against the passage of bill providing for the lowering of railroad fares in this State.

Referred to the committee on Railroads.

No. 1032. By Mr. Chamberlain: Protest of A. E. Shuster and 46 other citizens of Ontonagon against the passage of bill providing for the lowering of railroad fares in this State.

Referred to the committee on Railroads.

No. 1033. By Mr. Alward: Petition of R. D. McNaughton and 107 others requesting the passage of Representative Mayer's bill relative to peddler's license.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 1034. By Mr. Fleischhauer: Petition of J. E. Stearns, Pere Marquette Lumber Co., and Thos. R. Lyon, asking that Lake county be annexed to Osceola.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 1035. By Mr. Perry: Remonstrance of Pleasanton Grange No. 577 against repeal of farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 1036. By Mr. Perry: Petition of Pleasanton Grange No. 557 asking for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 1037. By Mr. F. Shepherd: Remonstrance of 17 residents of Presque Isle county against the passage of House bills 658 and 659, known as the "Davis fish bills."

Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

No. 1038. By Mr. Wing: Resolutions of Prairieville Grange No. 256 relative to pending legislation.

On demand of Mr. Wing,

The resolution was read at length and spread at large on the Journal, as follows:

Prairieville, Mich., March 6, 1897.

To the Honorable, the Legislature of the State of Michigan:

WHEREAS, The questions of legislation now before the legislature of the State of Michigan were duly discussed and considered by Prairieville Grange No. 256, which body after due deliberation decided that the office of Tax Statistician should be continued; that the pure food law should be materially strengthened; that the necessary appropriations for farmers' institutes should not be made; that no new State institutions should be established; that Michigan prisons should be made self-supporting; that there should be no change in our road law; that State institutions should purchase the supplies within the State of such as are produced by the State; that county officers should be salaried—all fees

turned over to the county. Therefore Prairieville Grange No. 256 respectfully petition your honorable body to duly consider their petition.

Bert Honeywell,

Secretary.

Sylvester France,

Worthy Master.

Referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

No. 1039. By Mr. Kelly: Petition of John Danninga and 49 other citizens of Muskegon asking for the passage of House bill No. 161, known as the "Molster bill."

Referred to the committee on Labor.

No. 1040. By Mr. Kelly: Petition of B. F. Bennett and 49 others of Muskegon asking for the passage of the Molster bill.

Referred to the committee on Labor.

No. 1041. By Mr. Molster: Petition of C. W. Bruisdeir and 34 other citizens of Detroit relative to House bill 161.

Referred to the committee on Labor.

No. 1042 By Mr. Molster: Petition of Hypatia Club of Detroit relative to women physicians at State asylums.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 1043. By Mr. Molster: Petition of Farrand, Votey & Co. and others of Detroit relative to contracts of sale of personal property.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 1044. By Mr. Sawyer: Petition of G. R. Cooper, president; Converse G. Cook, secretary, and 34 other members of Ann Arbor Typographical Union No. 154 asking the passage of the Molster bill relative to the employment of convicts.

On demand of Mr. Sawyer,

The petition was read at length and spread at large on the Journal, as follows:

We, the undersigned members of Ann Arbor Typographical Union No. 154, do hereby petition you to do all in your power to assist in the passage of the Molster bill, No. 161, to provide for the employment of convicts in the penal institutions of this State.

Referred to the committee on Labor.

No. 1045. By Mr. Fuller: Protest of Chas. Schaffer and 32 other residents of Onota, Alger county, against the passage of bills creating county of Grand Marais and making the president of the village of Munising a member of the board of supervisors of Alger county.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 1046. By Mr. Fuller: Protest of 39 residents of Mathias township, Alger county, against the passage of the bills creating the county of Grand Marais and making the president of the village of Munising a member of the board of supervisors of Alger county.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 1047. By Mr. Vought: Petition of Bethany Grange No. 508 asking for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 1048. By Mr. Vought: Remonstrance of Bethany Grange No. 508 against repeal of farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 1049. By Mr. Vought: Petition of Bethany Grange No. 508 asking the prevention of appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 1050. By Mr. Vought: Petition of Bethany Grange No. 508 asking for the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 1051. By Mr. Vought: Petition of Bethany Grange No. 508 asking for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 1052. By Mr. Vought: Petition of Bethany Grange No. 508 asking for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 1053. By Mr. Campbell: Petition of the Saline Farmers' Club asking for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 1054. By Mr. Campbell: Petition of Milo B. Schaffer and 64 other citizens of Ypsilanti relative to the amendment of charter of the city of Ypsilanti.

Referred to the committee on City Corporations.

No. 1055. By Mr. Edgar: Petition of J. M. Woolsey and 154 others of Lenawee county asking for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 1056. By Mr. Edgar: Petition of M. J. Pierce and 4 others asking for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 1057. By Mr. Edgar: Petition of B. H. Rodgers and 30 others of Lenawee county asking for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 1058. By Mr. Mayer: Petition of Edward McAfee and 37 other citizens of Lansing asking the passage of the Molster bill.

Referred to the committee on Labor.

No. 1059. By Mr. Mayer: Petition of Jonas Beck and 38 others of Lansing asking for the passage of the Molster bill.

Referred to the committee on Labor.

No. 1060. By Mr. Madill: Petition of Huron county officers against the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 1061. By Mr. Mayer: Petition of Felts Grange No. 347 asking for the traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

No. 1062. By Mr. Mayer: Petition of Felts Grange No. 347 asking for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 1063. By Mr. Mayer: Remonstrance of Felts Grange No. 347 against the repeal of farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 1064. By Mr. Mayer: Petition of Felts Grange No. 347 asking for the prevention of appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 1065. By Mr. Mayer: Petition of Felts for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural Co

No. 1066. By Mr. Mayer: Petition of Felts the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 1067. By Mr. Mayer: Petition of Felts for the continuance of the office of Tax Statistic

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 1068. By Mr. Jackson: Petition of Fra for the passage of the Kimmis county official sal

Referred to the committee on Towns and Cou

No. 1069. By Mr. Peek: Petition of William citizens of Jackson relative to the school distri son.

Referred to the committee on Education.

No. 1070. By Mr. Foote: Petition of Chas. asking for the amendment of Sec. 2 of Chap. 2 statutes.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 1071. By Mr. Kimmis: Petition of 397 vicinity asking for the passage of the Kimmis c

Referred to the committee on Towns and Cou

No. 1072. By Mr. Shisler: Petition of Casc for the traveling library appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Ways and Mea

No. 1073. By Mr. Shisler: Petition of Casc for the passage of the Kimmis county official sal

Referred to the committee on Towns and Cou

No. 1074. By Mr. Shisler: Petition of Casc for the prevention of appeals from justice cou

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 1075. By Mr. Shisler: Remonstrance o against repeal of farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 1076. By Mr. Shisler: Petition of Casc for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural C

No. 1077. By Mr. Shisler: Petition of Casc for the continuance of the office of Tax Statist

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 1078. By Mr. Coad: Petition of Felts (the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 1079. By Mr. Coad: Petition of Felts (the passage of the Kimmis county official salar

Referred to the committee on Towns and Cou

No. 1080. By Mr. Coad: Petition of Felts for the continuance of the office of Tax Stati

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 1081. By Mr. Coad: Remonstrance of Felts Grange No. 347 against repeal of the farm statistics law.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 1082. By Mr. Coad: Petition of Felts Grange No. 347 asking for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 1083. By Mr. Coad: Petition of Felts Grange No. 347 asking for the prevention of appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 1084. By Mr. Graham: Petition of Alpine Grange No. 348 for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

No. 1085. By Mr. Graham: Petition of Alpine Grange No. 348 for farmers' institute appropriation.

Referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

No. 1086. By Mr. Graham: Petition of Alpine Grange No. 348 for a bill to prevent appeals from justice courts.

Referred to the committee on Judiciary.

No. 1087. By Mr. Graham: Petition of Alpine Grange No. 348 for the passage of the Kimmis county official salary bill.

Referred to the committee on Towns and Counties.

No. 1088. By Mr. Graham: Petition of Alpine Grange No. 348 for the continuance of the office of Tax Statistician.

Referred to the committee on State Affairs.

No. 1089. By Mr. Billings: Remonstrance of L. W. Medlam and 36 others against the passage of House bills Nos. 658 and 659 increasing size of mesh in fishing nets.

Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

No. 1090. By Mr. VanCamp: Protest of 85 citizens of St. Joseph, Mich., against passage of House bills Nos. 658 and 659.

Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

No. 1091. By Mr. Shisler: Petition of Cascade Grange No. 63 for the passage of the anti-color bill.

Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on City Corporations:

The committee on City Corporations, to whom was referred House bill No. 275, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 26, 33, 37, 39, 47, 89, 102 and 108, and to repeal subdivision 3 of Sec. 39 of the session laws of 1873, entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Ionia, approved March 21, 1873, and all acts and parts of acts amendatory of said section and to add thereto two new sections to stand as Secs. 116 and 117;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

P. Herrig,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Scully,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Foster	Mr. Otis
Allison	Fuller	Pearson
Anderson	Gibson	Peek
Babcock, C. G.	Gillam	Perry
Belknap	Goodell	Peters
Bemis	Goodyear	Phillips, C. C.
Billings	Graham	Phillips, M. F.
Bricker	Green	Powers
Bryan	Gustin	Putney
Buskirk	Hammond	Reed
Caldwell	Harris	Rulison
Campbell	Herrig	Savage
Chamberlain	Hofmeister	Scully
Clark	Jackson	Shepherd, F.
Clute	January	Shisler
Coad	Kimmins	Smith
Connors	Lusk	Stoneman
Cousins	Madill	Tefft
Davis	Marsilje	Van Camp
Dickinson, J. H.	Mayer	Washer
Dickinson, L. D.	McGill	Weier
Donovan	Miller	Wetherbee
Dudley	Molster	Williams
Edgar	Niedermeyer	Wing
Fleischhauer	Oberdorffer	Zimmerman
Foote	O'Dett	Speaker

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Scully,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

By the committee on City Corporations:

The committee on City Corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 410, entitled

A bill relative to granting franchises in streets, alleys and public places in cities of this State;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

P. Herrig,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on ordering the bill printed for the use of the committee,

The House so ordered.

By the committee on City Corporations:

The committee on City Corporations, to whom was referred House bill No. 552, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 2 of an act entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of city physicians of the city of Detroit by the board of poor commissioners of said city, and to provide for the regulation of their duty," being act No. 343 of the local acts of the legislature of the State of Michigan for the year 1891;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

P. Herrig,

Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on ordering the bill printed for the use of the committee,

The House so ordered.

By the committee on City Corporations:

The committee on City Corporations, to whom was referred House bill No. 813, entitled

A bill to provide for placing and keeping on the retired list, on reduced pay, members of the metropolitan police force of the city of Detroit, who shall have become disabled and incapacitated while in the active performance of official duty, and to repeal act No. 372 of the local acts of Michigan of the year 1893, entitled "An act to provide for placing on the retired list, on reduced pay, members of the metropolitan police force of the city of Detroit, who shall have become disabled and incapacitated while in the active performance of official duty, and members of said force and persons in the employ of the police board of the city of Detroit, who after twenty-five years of faithful continuous service, shall have become permanently incapacitated from performing regular active duty," and all acts amendatory thereto;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

P. Herrig,

Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on ordering the bill printed for the use of the committee,

The House so ordered.

By the committee on City Corporations:

The committee on City Corporations, to whom was referred House bill No. 928, entitled

A bill to repeal act No. 326 of the local acts of 1889, entitled "An act to constitute and make the members of the board of poor commissioners of the city of Detroit, members of the board of superintendents of the poor of the county of Wayne;

Respectfully report that they have had the
and have directed me to request of the House
the use of the committee.

Report accepted and committee discharged
The question being on ordering the bill pri
mittee,

The House so ordered.

By the committee on City Corporations:
The committee on City Corporations, to w
House bill No. 806, entitled

A bill to provide for the dismissal of m
police force of the city of Detroit for ineffic

Respectfully report that they have had th
and have directed me to request of the Hous
the use of the committee.

Report accepted and committee discharged
The question being on ordering the bill pr
mittee,

The House so ordered.

By the committee on City Corporations:
The committee on City Corporations, to v
House bill No. 431, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 3, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 1
acts of 1885, entitled "An act to establish a
in and for the city of Detroit, and to define it

Respectfully report that they have had t
and have directed me to request of the Hou
the use of the committee.

Report accepted and committee discharge
The question being on ordering the bill p
mittee,

The House so ordered.

By the committee on City Corporations:
The committee on City Corporations, to
House bill No. 1115, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 11 of an act entitled
charter of the city of Detroit, and relating
public grounds in said city and to repeal a
1879, entitled "An act to provide for the es
of a broad street or boulevard about the li
through portions of the townships of Hamt
wells, in the county of Wayne," approved

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

P. Herrig,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on ordering the bill printed for the use of the committee,

The House so ordered.

By the committee on City Corporations:

The committee on City Corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 1108, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 7 of Chap. 11 of an act entitled "An act to provide a charter for the city of Detroit and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith," approved June 7, 1883, being act No. — of the local acts of 1883;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

P. Herrig,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on ordering the bill printed for the use of the committee,

The House so ordered.

By the committee on City Corporations:

The committee on City Corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 224, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 6 of act No. 161 of the public acts of 1885, entitled "An act to establish the police court of the city of Detroit," approved June 9, 1885, being Sec. 6591 of third Howell's annotated statutes;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

P. Herrig,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on ordering the bill printed for the use of the committee,

The House so ordered.

By the committee on City Corporations:

The committee on City Corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 604, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 30, Chap. 7, of an act entitled "An act to provide a charter for the city of Detroit, and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith;"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and have directed me to request of the House that the bill be printed for the use of the committee.

P. Herrig,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on ordering the bill
committee,

The House so ordered.

By the committee on City Corporations:

The committee on City Corporations, to
House bill No. 547, entitled

A bill to amend the charter of the city
the appointment by the mayor of a police
a commissioner of parks and boulevard
missioner of prisons, city counselor, a fire
of public works, and a lighting commissio

Respectfully report that they have had
and have directed me to request of the
for the use of the committee.

Report accepted and committee discharged

The question being on ordering the bill
committee,

The House so ordered.

By the committee on City Corporations:

The committee on City Corporations, to
House bill No. 220, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 13 of the act entit
government for the city of Detroit," ap
acts amendatory thereof;

Respectfully report that they have ha
and have directed me to request of the H
the use of the committee.

Report accepted and committee discharged

The question being on ordering the bill
committee,

The House so ordered.

By the committee on City Corporation

The committee on City Corporations,

House bill No. 598, entitled

A bill to amend Secs. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8
20 and 21 of an act, entitled "An act to
take private property for the use and
June 4, 1895;

Respectfully report that they have ha
and have directed me to request of the H
the use of the committee.

Report accepted and committee discharged

The question being on ordering the bill
committee,

The House so ordered.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor,

House bill No. 1210, entitled

An act legalizing certain bonds of the county of Muskegon;

For which your committee hold the receipt of the Executive Office dated March 10, 1897, at 11:30 o'clock a. m.

Geo. E. Gillam,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor,

House bill No. 754, entitled

An act to detach certain territory from the union school district of the city of Owosso, and attach the same to fractional school district No. 4, of the townships of Owosso and Caledonia;

For which your committee hold the receipt of the Executive Office dated March 10, 1897, at 11:30 o'clock a. m.

Geo. E. Gillam,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor,

House bill No. 527, entitled

An act to amend and revise the charter of the city of Adrian;

For which your committee hold the receipt of the Executive Office dated March 10, 1897, at 10:20 o'clock a. m.

Geo. E. Gillam,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor,

House bill No. 186 (file No. 49), entitled

An act to provide for the commencement and maintaining of actions by and against unincorporated voluntary associations, clubs and societies, and for the service of process in such cases;

For which your committee hold the receipt of the Executive office dated March 10, 1897, at 11:30 o'clock a. m.

Geo. E. Gillam,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor

House bill No. 137 (file No. 37), entitled

An act to amend Sec. 3 of act No. 156 of the session laws of 1851, entitled "An act to define the powers and duties of the boards of supervisors of the several counties, and to confer upon them certain local

administrative and legislative powers," the
ell's annotated statutes;

For which your committee hold the record
dated March 10, 1897, at 11:30 o'clock a. m.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as com-
presented to the Governor,

House bill No. 122 (file No. 35), entitled

An act making it unlawful for prosecu-
assist in the defense of any person charged
respective counties;

For which your committee hold the record
dated March 10, 1897, at 11:30 o'clock a. m.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as com-
presented to the Governor,

House bill No. 63 (file No. 21), entitled

An act to amend Sec. 364, Chap. 10, of the
the several acts amendatory thereof, relat-
ors, the same being Sec. 502 of Howell's acts
of Michigan;

For which your committee hold the record
dated March 10, 1897, at 11:30 o'clock a. m.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as com-
presented to the Governor,

House bill No. 86 (file No. 12), entitled

An act to provide for service of notice
common councils, boards, commissions, or
the making of answers by such bodies in
ings;

For which your committee hold the record
dated March 10, 1897, at 4 o'clock p. m.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as com-
presented to the Governor,

House bill No. 132 (file No. 47), entitled

An act to change the name of the towns
of Allegan to Valley Township;

For which your committee hold the receipt of the Executive office dated March 10, 1897, at 4 o'clock p. m.

George E. Gillam,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor,

House bill No. 71 (file No. 9), entitled

An act to amend Sec. 33 of Chap. 108 of the revised statutes of 1846, relative to the action of ejectment, the same being compiler's Sec. 7819, Howell's annotated statutes;

For which your committee hold the receipt of the Executive office dated March 10, 1897, at 4 o'clock p. m.

George E. Gillam,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor,

House bill No. 70 (file No. 8), entitled

An act to amend Sec. 27 of Chap. 123 of the revised statutes of 1846, relative to the proceedings to recover the possession of land in certain cases, the same being compiler's Sec. 8309 of Howell's annotated statutes, as amended by act No. 199 of the laws of 1863;

For which your committee hold the receipt of the Executive office dated March 10, 1897, at 4 o'clock p. m.

George E. Gillam,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor,

House bill No. 13 (file No. 1), entitled

An act to amend Sec. 38 of act No. 44 of the public acts of 1895, entitled "An act to prescribe the manner of conducting and to prevent fraud and deception at elections in this State;"

For which your committee hold the receipt of the Executive office dated March 10, 1897, at 4 o'clock p. m.

George E. Gillam,
Chairman.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor,

House bill No. 398, entitled

An act to provide for the construction of a bridge across the Grand River in the township of Plainfield in the county of Kent, and for the raising of funds to defray the cost and expenses thereof;

For which your committee hold the
dated March 10, 1897, at 4 o'clock p. m.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report
presented to the Governor,
House bill No. 125, entitled

An act to provide for the construction
River in the township of Ada in the county of
of funds to defray the cost and expenses

For which your committee hold the
dated March 10, 1897, at 4 o'clock p. m.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report
presented to the Governor,
House bill No. 978, entitled

An act to detach certain territory from
Marquette county, and attach the same to
said county;

For which your committee hold the
dated March 10, 1897, at 4 o'clock p. m.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report
presented to the Governor,
House bill No. 521, entitled

An act to consolidate fractional school
of Yates and Cherry Valley in Lake county
Cherry Valley township in Lake county

For which your committee hold the
dated March 10, 1897, at 4 o'clock p. m.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Enrollment:

The committee on Enrollment report
presented to the Governor,
House bill No. 865, entitled

An act to legalize the taxes assessed in
the years 1895 and 1896;

For which your committee hold the
dated March 10, 1897, at 4 o'clock p. m.

Report accepted.

By the committee on Village Corporations:

The committee on Village Corporations, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 259, entitled

A bill to authorize the village of Allegan, in the county of Allegan, Michigan, to borrow money for the purpose of improving the dam and water power in the village of Allegan;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House with amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

I. Marsilje,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the amendment made by the committee to the bill,

The House concurred.

On motion of Mr. Buskirk,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams	Mr. Gibson	Mr. Perry
Allison	Gillam	Peters
Alward	Goodell	Phillips, C. C.
Anderson	Goodyear	Phillips, M. F.
Babcock, C. G.	Graham	Powers
Babcock, H.	Green	Putney
Belknap	Gustin	Reed
Bricker	Hammond	Rulison
Bryan	Harris	Savage
Buskirk	Herrig	Sawyer
Caldwell	Hofmeister	Scully
Campbell	Jackson	Shepard, F. M.
Chamberlain	January	Shepherd, F.
Clark	Kelly	Shisler
Clute	Kimmis	Smith
Coad	Lusk	Stewart
Connors	Madill	Stoneman
Cousins	Marsilje	Tefft
Crippen	McGill	Van Camp
Davis	Miller	Vought
Dickinson, J. H.	Molster	Washer
Dickinson, L. D.	Moore, M. G.	Weier
Donovan	Niedermeier	Wetherbee
Edgar	Oberdorffer	Whitney
Elkhoff	O'Dett	Williams
Foote	Otis	Wing

Mr. Foster
Fuller

Mr. Pearson
Peek

Mr. Zimmerman
Speaker

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Buskirk,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

By the committee on Fisheries and Game:

The committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred

House bill No. 380, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 5a of act No. 196 of the public acts of 1893 of the State of Michigan, being an act entitled "An act to regulate the possession, use, transportation and sale of fish and game," as amended by act No. 233 of the public acts of 1895, approved May 31, 1895;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without recommendation, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Geo. B. Davis,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on Fisheries and Game:

The committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred

House bill No. 580, entitled

A bill to regulate the hunting of wild ducks and other wild water fowl in the public waters of Lake Erie within this State, and providing a penalty for violations of the provisions of this bill;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Geo. B. Davis,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the amendment made by the committee to the bill,

The House concurred.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Fisheries and Game:

The committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred

House bill No. 735, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 1, of act No. 28, of the public acts of 1887, entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of a game and fish warden and to prescribe his powers and duties;"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without

amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Geo. B. Davis,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Fisheries and Game:

The committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred

House bill No. 1113, entitled

A bill to protect fish and to regulate fishing in the Saginaw river;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Geo. B. Davis,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Fisheries and Game:

The committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred

House bill No. 663, entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the State Board of Fish Commissioners for the year ending June 30, 1898, and the year ending June 30, 1899;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Geo. B. Davis,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

By the committee on Fisheries and Game:

The committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred

House bill No. 397, entitled

A bill to prohibit the shooting or catching of prairie chickens, otherwise known as pinnated grouse;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House with amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Geo. B. Davis,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the amendment made by the committee to the bill,

The House concurred.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Fisheries and Game:

The committee on Fisheries and Game, to whom was referred

House bill No. 667, entitled

A bill to authorize the payment of a bounty for the destruction of kingfishers;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House with amendments thereto, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Geo. B. Davis,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the amendment made by the committee to the bill,

The House concurred.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Towns and Counties:

The Committee on Towns and Counties, to whom was referred

House bill No. 372, entitled

A bill to vacate the township of Galilee in the county of Charlevoix, and attach the same to the township of Peaine;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying substitute therefor, entitled

A bill to vacate the township of Galilee, in the county of Charlevoix, and attach the same to the township of Peaine;

Recommending that the substitute be concurred in, and that the substitute do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Thos. M. Camburn,
Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the substitute reported for the bill, by the committee,

The House concurred.

On motion of Mr. Harris,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Adams
Allison
Anderson
Babcock, C. G.
Babcock, H.

Mr. Foote
Foster
Fuller
Gibson
Gillam

Mr. Peek
Perry
Peters
Phillips, C. C.
Phillips, M. F.

Mr. Belknap	Mr. Goodell	Mr. Powers
Bemis	Goodyear	Putney
Bricker	Graham	Reed
Bryan	Gustin	Rulison
Buskirk	Hammond	Savage
Cahoon	Harris	Sawyer
Caldwell	Herrig	Scully
Camburn	Hofmeister	Shepard, F. M.
Campbell	Jackson	Shepherd, F.
Chamberlain	January	Shisler
Clark	Kelly	Smith
Clute	Kimmis	Stewart
Coad	Lusk	Stoneman
Colvin	Madill	Tefft
Connors	Marsilje	Van Camp
Cousins	McGill	Vought
Crippen	Miller	Washer
Davis	Molster	Weier
Dickinson, J. H.	Moore, M. G.	Wetherbee
Dickinson, L. D.	Niedermeyer	Whitney
Donovan	Oberdorffer	Williams
Dudley	O'Dett	Wing
Edgar	Otis	Zimmerman
Eikhoff	Pearson	Speaker
Fleischhauer		

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Harris,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

By the committee on Towns and Counties:

The Committee on Towns and Counties, to whom was referred House bill No. 371, entitled

A bill to vacate the township of Chandler No. 2 in Charlevoix county and attach the same to the township of Peaine of the same county;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying substitute therefor, entitled

A bill to vacate the township of Chandler in Charlevoix county and attach the same to the township of Peaine in said county;

Recommending that the substitute be concurred in, and that the substitute do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Thos. M. Camburn,

Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the substitute reported for the bill, by the committee,

The House concurred.

On motion of Mr. Harris,

The rules were suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.